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Grant Increases Minorities

by Peter Keim and Frank Vlossak, staff writers

In Hamilton's ongoing attempt to increase its minority student percentage, the College was awarded a seed grant of $25,000 to help establish a five week seminar residential program for approximately twenty-five minority community college students. The grants are funded by AT&T, the Ford Foundation, and Chase Manhattan Bank.

The community colleges involved with Hamilton under this grant are: Mohawk Valley Community College, Onodaga Community College and the State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Morrisville.

All three schools have a relatively high rate of transfer to four-year schools, but very few of their graduates matriculate at liberal arts colleges. The purpose of the program is to show the students visiting from the two-year community colleges that Hamilton is a realistic choice for them if they wish to further their education at a four year college.

Commencing in the summer of 1990, the program will offer the visiting students approximately three courses to choose from, each of which will be taught by a member of the Hamilton faculty and by a visiting professor from the community colleges. The courses will strive to be inter-departmental, combining the liberal arts focus of Hamilton with the technological focus of the community colleges.

While the course selection is still tentative, a few suggestions listed in the proposal were *America By Design*, which will look at the impact of technology on American society, *Work, Culture, and Society in Industrialized America*, and, *Environment at Risk*. The students will be housed in Hamilton's dorms, and will not have to pay tuition.

According to Eugene Tobin, Dean of the Faculty, Hamilton hopes "to expand its pool of minority students and to establish strong long term, working relationships with the surrounding community colleges." This improved relationship will allow Hamilton "to be looked [at] as a good consideration for continuing education [once outside of the two-year colleges]," said Tobin.

Hamilton admissions will now be able to "look towards a population that Hamilton doesn't normally attract," commented Tobin who wrote the proposal. As for the Hamilton College faculty, Dean Tobin said that "over a dozen people [are] indicating tremendous excitement and enthusiasm [for the program]."

Among those who have indicated tentative interest are Richard Somer of the Speech Communication Department, Victoria Vernon of the Comparative Literature Department, Fred Wagner of the English Department, and Jay Williams of the Religion Department.

Vice President of Development at Morrisville, Jon Denison feels that not only will this program give a great opportunity to their minority students, but it will also "improve the teaching skills of everyone involved." Morisville College President Frederick Woodward agreed and added, "we are pleased to be included as a benefactor of the Hamilton College grant award. Not only will selected students benefit, but our faculty will benefit as well."

Denison is happy that Hamilton approached them with the idea, and attributes their selection to, "having the highest percentage of minority students" of the community colleges in their area. This figure is much higher than Hamilton's by about ten percent.

Since the grant awarded is only a one year seed grant, Hamilton is responsible for

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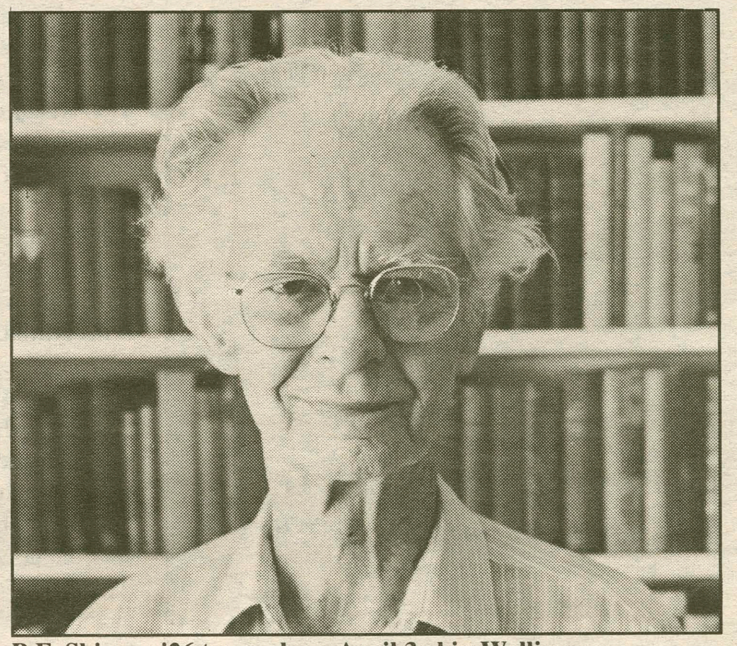

B.F. Skinner '26 to speak on April 3rd in Wellin.

Skinner To Speak

B.F. Skinner, the chief architect of behaviorism and a 1926 Hamilton graduate, will speak on Monday April 3 at 4:30 p.m. in the Wellin Hall of the Hans H. Schambach Center. Currently Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Social Relations at Harvard University, Dr. Skinner will present a lecture entitled, "An Ethics for the Future."

Burrhus Frederick Skinner, born in 1904, began developing his theories of behaviorism in the 1930's, using operant conditioning. Through his research, he learned that human learning occurs through the reinforcement of behavior and that scientific psychology can only study behavior that can be directly observed. In Skinner's view, the mind, and such things as memory and perception, cannot be directly observed and thus are unworthy of scientific study. In commenting to *The New York Times* recently, Skinner observed, "I think cognitive psychology is a great hoax and a fraud, and that goes for brain science too."

He extends his theories in his 1948 novel *Walden II*, a behaviorist utopia in which the entire community is governed by the principles of positive reinforcement. Another best-seller *Beyond Freedom and Dignity* represents his view that humans are not responsible for their actions since all human

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Possible Carcinogen Contaminates Water

by Ethan Strell, staff writer

The level of trihalomethanes found in water supplied by the Utica Board of Water continues to exceed levels established by the New York State Department of Health. Hamilton College receives its water from the Utica water system.

According to Bill McCarthy, regional water supply engineer for the Department of Health in Syracuse, trihalomethanes, such as chloroform and bromoform, have been found to cause cancer in laboratory animals, but no correlation to cancer in humans has been proven. The February 17, 1988 Utica Observer-Dispatch stated that "[trihalomethanes are] chemicals created when organic materials, such as leaves, mix with chlorine during the treatment of water."

The city of Utica receives most of its water from the Hinckley reservoir, located in the Adirondack preserve. Professor of Chemistry Leland E. Cratty Jr. stated that the Hinckley reservoir is filled by surface run-off water from both hard and softwood forests in the Adirondacks. Cratty said that as the water travels through the forests, it picks up organic particles. Cratty added that the water found in the reservoir is not unhealthy, but in the process of chlorination, the organic particles react with chlorine to form trihalomethanes.

According to McCarthy, the New York Department of Health has required the city of Utica to bring the levels of trihalomethanes within the legal state level of 200 parts per billion. The Utica Board of Water is currently planning to build a filtration plant to remove organic particles before the water is chlorinated, thereby eliminating the problem, said McCarthy. The plant is estimated to cost $21 million and is scheduled to be completed by 1992. McCarthy added that progress on the filtration plant is monitored monthly and is on schedule so far.

Frank Marsicane, Associate Director of Physical Plant stated that Hamilton switched to the Utica water system in 1983. According to Marsicane, before switching to Utica water, the college was supplied with water from three college owned reservoirs near College Hill Road and Skyline Drive. Marsicane states that the college switched water systems because of problems with its own supply.

The last years we used the Hamilton reservoirs, the college would run out of water during the summer and borrow water from the otherwise unused Clinton reservoir, said Marsicane. Additionally, the Hamilton water was very hard [it contained a high concentration of calcium carbonate] and it was very expensive to soften it. Cratty recalled that the Hamilton water was exceptionally hard. Water that is normally considered hard has 20-50 p.p.m. of calcium carbonate. Our water had 300-500 p.p.m., says Cratty.

According to Cratty, calcium carbonate deposits itself on pipes and other surfaces that the water comes in contact with. Cratty remembers one instance when workers were fixing the plumbing in Carnegie, an old pipe was found which was almost completely constricted by calcium carbonate deposits. Cratty states that the college water was hard because the reservoirs were filled with ground water. As the water seeps through the ground to the aquifer, calcium carbonate is leached from the ground, says Cratty. However, as the water travels through the ground, organic particles which could cause a problem with trihalomethanes are naturally filtered out, as well.

Cratty emphasizes that the levels of trihalomethane in the water are very small, and probably poses no health threat to students.

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Reports from around the World

Compiled by Jen Hampton, staff writer

240,000 Barrels of Oil in Prince William Sound

Alaska has begun a criminal inquiry into the case of the grounding of the Exxon Valdez, an Exxon Corporation Supertanker which caused the largest oil spill ever in U. S. waters last Friday. A Federal investigator reported that a Coast Guard officer smelled alcohol on the breath of the tanker's captain over two hours after the accident. Separately, officials at Exxon conceded that they had lost the opportunity to contain most of the oil spill in the Prince William Sound, and that the spill has spread more than fifty miles from the accident site. Don Cornett, Exxon's Alaskan Coordinator, said, "We will never get back those 240,000 barrels, but we will continue to try and clean it up, even if it takes months."

Will Reagan Testify at North Trial?

Ronald Reagan's lawyers objected to his testifying on behalf of Oliver North at North's Iran-Contra trial. Attorney Theodore Olson asked for "the specific evidence" that North's lawyers hoped to elicit from Mr. Reagan and asked them to show that Mr. Reagan has information that cannot be obtained elsewhere. Additionally, the Justice Department filed a brief opposing the former president's performance, stating that North's lawyers had given no reason why Mr. Reagan should appear "with the attendant hazards to the national security and international relations of the United States." North's attorneys have filed a statement containing questions which could be asked. However, Judge Gesell said the document is being held under seal and that he would hold a hearing before deciding whether Mr. Reagan will have to testify.

Contact Lost with Soviet's Phobos 2

The loss of contact with spacecraft Phobos 2 has crippled the Soviets ambitious program to explore the planet Mars. Soviet officials acknowledged that they had little hope of regaining contact with the spacecraft, on which the program has depended since its companion spacecraft, Phobos 1, was lost in space last summer and Phobos 2 began to experience malfunctions. Phobos 2 became lost, said reports, before its scheduled landing on the Martian moon. The loss dooms research projects aboard the spacecraft and could undermine faith among would-be partners in Soviet spacecraft technology, said sources.

San Diego Yacht Club disqualified as Cup Winner

A New York State Supreme Court Justice disqualified the San Diego Yacht Club as the winner of last year's America's Cup, yachting's oldest and most prestigious trophy, and awarded it to New Zealand because the judge said San Diego's catamaran "violated the spirit" of the race against the Mercury Bay Yacht Club's single hulled vessel. In her decision, Justice Ciparick said the San Diego crew knew the risks of entering a catamaran, the Stars and Stripes, in the race, but that they sought to win "at all costs." The New York Court oversees the Deed of Gift, a 102-year old document that sets guidelines on competition for the cup. The San Diego Yacht Club can appeal the decision to the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court.

Changes in Soviet National Congress

Initial results from the freest nationwide elections in the Soviet Union since 1917 showed massive changes in the new national Congress, including upsets of a Politburo member and several other senior Communist Party Officials who ran without opposition. The elections, on Sunday March 25, for the new and theoretically powerful Congress of People's Duties, swept in a large minority of independent candidates. Many of the winners, viewed as "champions of change" are Communists, but they replaced leaders who lacked enthusiasm about Gorbachev's program of economic and political revival.

News From the Mohawk Valley

Compiled by Alison Zane

New Hartford keeps check on rowdy teens
Observer-Dispatch

Fighting and drinking among teens have marred Friday nights at the New Hartford Recreation Center, prompting officials to beef up security. Night supervisors say fights between Utica and New Hartford youths are just part of the problems police have dealt with at the ice skating rink the past two to three months. New Hartford Police Chief Nicholas Cerro said officers provide security as a preventive measure. He said "isolated incidents have been minor and few," and what would be expected at any event with 200 young people. "We're there to disperse any possible vandalism and as a way of saying we're present here trying to nip trouble in the bud."

Rome board hopes for school of thought on RFA
Observer-Dispatch

The ultimate decision on the future of Rome Free Academy rests with the board of education. Board members are looking for guidance when voters go to the polls Tuesday to vote for a non-binding referendum on three options on the future of the High School. They have said the voters' wishes will weigh heavily in the board's decision. The options are: A-Construct a new school to house grades 9-12, B-Additions and renovations to the current RFA to house grades 10-12, C-Addition and renovations, with some demolition of the current RFA for grades 9-12.

CCS swim program with college draws high praise
Clinton Courier

Clinton Central School's inaugural swim instruction venture with Hamilton College came off above expectations, reports Physical Education Department Chairman Robert Pultorak. The 214 students in grades four and six wound up receiving instuction in the new William M. Bristol pool once a week instead of twice a week during the three-week program. Superintendent James Torrance, in presenting the proposal to the board Nov.22, said it was an outgrowth of the system's ongoing effort to find ways it can work with Hamilton college. "The main objective which was met was the enjoyment of water and swimming ...," said Pultorak.

The News from other Ivory Towers

Compiled by Alison Zane

Union College

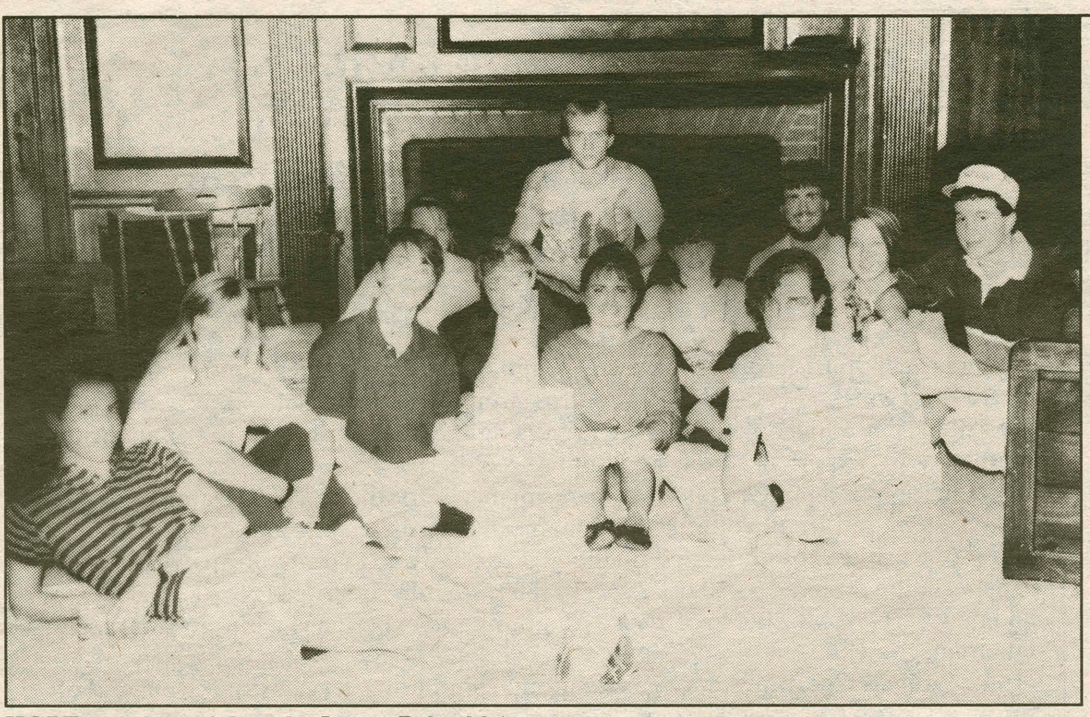
Delta Chi fraternity at Union College is currently gathering signatures on a petition to be presented to the Student Affairs Committee. The petition states that those signing have considered Delta Chi's housing situation and that they "firmly and emphatically petition the Student Affairs Committee and the College Administration to reconsider their recent decision to deny Delta Chi housing privileges." The S.A.C. recently voted unanimously to recommend to the Office of Residence Life "that Delta Chi be denied its group housing privilege beginning with the 1989-90 academic year." In making this decision, the S.A.C. cited that Delta Chi has consistantly been under the 95% occupancy level, which is the policy at Union.

Cornell University

Just recently, women and men rallied on the Arts Quad to affirm a woman's right to make choices about reproduction. Student organizers of the Coalition for Choice, which sponsored the last rally event, planned the afternoon rally in part to build interest for the nationally organized march in Washington, D. C., set for April 9. Among the speakers last weekend were writer Betty Friedan; astronomer Carl Sagan; Lynn Paitrow '79, a lawyer with the American Civil Liberties Union; and former Republican assemblywoman Constance Cook, who introduced pro-choice legislation in New York.

Bryn Mawr College

Concerns about saftey have led the Bryn Mawr Office of Campus Safety and Security to improve the emergency phone and the lighting on campus and to establish a new student escort service. Most of the requests that Security received were not just based on fear. Students have suggested that "the lighting on campus is not good and they don't know how to get help, so they're scared," noted Director of Security, Katherine Steinbeck. Therefore, Security with the help of Physical Plant has installed new lighting on the tops of buildings that would shine over selected areas.



HOPE members. (photo by Laura Pokaskly)

HOPE Reaches High School

by Jennifer Hampton, staff writer

"Learning how to shoot a dummy or shoot a real person is not going to productively help society," according to Dan Kaplan '91, president of HOPE (Hamilton Organized for Peace on Earth). The goal of HOPE is to "see non-violent solutions to dilemmas, be they world, national, local, or campus-wide," according to Kaplan. The group plans protests, shows movies concerning their main focus, the nuclear issue, and sponsors speakers such as Helen Caldicott on April 3. About five members of the group plan to present alternatives to the military to students at Clinton High School in mid-April.

Kaplan stated, "We must get to the high school students so that they know what they can do besides go into the military...which is the only group that really approaches them. Society is being militarized and we want to tell kids that it doesn't have to be that way because there are so many things that need to be done in this country and the military is just not one of them." Some of the options being presented are jobs as a dental assistant, plumber, electrician, and service jobs.

Kaplan said that "it's not that there's not enough people to help, it's just that they are not given the information to know that they are capable of helping. By doing this hopefully we can turn away a few kids who shouldn't be going into the military but into service jobs," according to Kaplan.

Kaplan feels that Clinton High School has been "woefully inadequate in providing alternatives to the military, and that the high school students are not offered "any other legitimate options, and it is worse because they are living in the vicinity of Griffis Air Force Base."

Kaplan further said, "there are so many social sectors of this country that are crying out for help. It's just that the students are not getting the information that they are capable of helping the world."

HOPE will be presenting the alternatives to Clinton High School Students in conjunction with the Clinton Peace Group, headed by Ibby Chiquoine. According to Chiquoine, the group's goal is to "get peace education into the high schools." Chiquoine visited the principal of the high school and gave him a list of the alternatives they would be presenting and found him "receptive." Most of the alternative jobs catalogued were found at Hamilton's Career Center by a HOPE member. Chiquoine said the Clinton Peace Group is "very new at this this kind of thing. Dan [Kaplan] and Lisa [Rawson, '91] wanted to do it."

The high school had a week long program with the theme of peace at which there were speakers from different countries, films about the Soviet Union, and discussions, according to Chiquoine. During that week, the Clinton Peace Group visited the high school to give them some "peace education." Furthermore, the high school has been having career presentations during a class period on certain days, at which jobs in the social services have been presented.

To prepare for the presentation, the HOPE participants have read a publication from Upstate Resistance, a Syracuse-based group which gives non-registration/anti-war, presentations and counter draft information. Upstate Resistance does this through advertisements in high-school newspapers, information in guidance office, and leafletting high school graduations. The issue of anti-draft registration has been marked with growing interest since 1980 when a school board in Portland, Oregon passed resolutions opposing draft registration and requiring information on alternatives be made available to students requesting it.

One high school student stated, "I think it's important that groups like HOPE do things like this. A lot of kids think that the coolest thing to do if you're not going to college is to join the army. Who knows when there is going to be a war?" An administrator of Clinton High School said he thought the plan was a "good idea."

An officer at the United States Army Recruitment Office in Utica, when told about the plans of HOPE and the Clinton Peace Group, asked "how do they feel about communism and freedom?" The officer felt that the group had the wrong impression of the army, and said, "we train in a skill that they can use when they get out of the army." The office recruits through high school visitations, mailings, and phone calls.

The recruitment officer said that the army does not only teach how to kill people. "Everyone is trained how to fire, but we're at peace now." He stressed that fighting is not the only skill taught in the army. "There are 360 different jobs within the army, and you don't fight in a lot of them." These jobs include those of support, medical jobs, mechanical jobs, and other areas. "A lot of the jobs can be used in the civilian world," he emphasized. "I'm a medic. I help people, I don't kill people."

Kaplan said the HOPE group plans to "stress working with the community, dealing one on one, and really making a change. If we give one kid an option to change his or her life, than our goal has been accomplished."

Guinness Approaches

by Paul Reichert, staff writer

With only a week to go before the big event, organizers for the Guinness World Record Swim Relay are busy recruiting and registering people from both on and off campus to swim a length of the Bristol Pool on April 8th. At least 2136 people are needed to break the record for the longest continuous swim relay, and put Hamilton in the record books. Meanwhile, the team of students organizing the event have also begun a media blitz throughout central New York, which is managing to attract some big names to the relay.

Many local celebrities are already committed to the event, with many more expected to participate. State Assemblyman Ralph Eannace has expressed an interest in swimming a length, and commented that the relay sounds like "a fun time." Peter Hirsch, host of WOUR-FM's morning show, and the station's general manager, wants to be the first person to swim a length. He is a strong supporter of the relay, and WOUR will be broadcasting live from the Bristol Pool throughout the day. Joining them in live broadcasts will be WRUN, WIBX (with reports by Hamilton's own Keoki Kerr), and WHCL, the college radio station.

Commercials for the relay have begun to run on many of the local radio stations. The local television stations are also helping to publicize the event. The relay team will be interviewed by WKTV for the evening news, and will run commercials on WUTR. Articles about the relay have also appeared in local newspapers, including the *Clinton Courier* and the Utica *Observer-Dispatch*, as well as in *The New York Times*. A press conference involving local media and community leaders is scheduled for 1:30 on Wednesday April 5th in the Dwight Lounge at Bristol.

"The response from the media and community leaders has been tremendous," said Ken Applebaum '90, one of the relay coordinators. "They're really excited about the relay because of the community pride it will generate. Everyone involved is doing their best to see that it succeeds."

To be successful, though, the relay needs participants. The Swim Relay Team has been running a massive recruitment drive in order to draw swimmers form the Mohawk Valley area and beyond. They will be traveling to area high schools and malls to register swimmers, as well as to Colgate, Utica College and other local schools.

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HAVOC Hits N.Y.C.

by Carolynn Kipp, staff writer

Six members of the Hamilton Action Volunteer Outreach Coalition (HAVOC) participated in the 5th Annual COOL Conference from Thursday, March 9 to Sunday, March 12. COOL, the Campus Outreach Opportunity League, is a national network of community based service groups; these students were among 1,500 students from Canada and the United States who attended the conference at Fordam University in the Bronx.

The annual national Conference, according to participants, is a unique opportunity that provides students not only with the chance to talk with people from around the country who do service work in their community, but also provides them with the information and incentive to return to their school and motivate those not already involved.

Hamilton students Madeleine Smith '89, Tricia Berkebile '89, Sarah Wolf '90, Laura Polkalsky '90, and Margaret Hanshaw '91, accompanied by HAVOC student founder and advisor Charlie Hartness '88, were among the 1,500 Conference participants who spent the weekend attending workshops, discussions, and benefit concerts. Upon arrival Thursday afternoon, the students were formally welcomed by Fordham University President Rev. Joseph O'Hare and attended an evening address entitled "Our Legacies: Youth's Commitment to Community." The speech was given by Mel King, Professor of Urban Studies at M.I.T. and founder of the Rainbow Coalition.

On Friday, students participated in a program called *Into the Streets*. Groups of students were divided up according to their main service interests and visited different service agencies in the area. Over 70 agencies in the New York Metropolitan area opened their doors, enabling students to gain hands-on experience while working alongside service providers. Hartness, whose special interests are hunger and homelessness, visited the Lower East Side Habitat for Humanity.

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...Swimming Relay

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Posters have also begun to appear throughout the greater Utica area, and people from as far away as North Carolina have expressed an interest in participating.

Recruitment has also begun on the Hill. Registration cards were put in student mail boxes this week, and the relay team will be in the dining halls all next week to register people. Organizers also want to encourage faculty, staff and alumni participation in the relay, as well as in spreading the word about it throughout the community.

The number of committed swimmers is slowly starting to climb, but with only a week to go before the event, the relay team needs more support. Relay coordinator Jeff VanBuren '90 stressed that anyone is welcome to swim. "Don't think that we'll have enough people swimming to make up for your not coming. We need *every* person to swim. We can't do it without you," said VanBuren

VanBuren went on to state that it will only take about twenty minutes of your time next Saturday, and you'll be able to tell everyone that you're in the Guinness *Book of World Records*. "Even if you look goofy in a bathing suit," added Applebaum, "no one will care, and you don't have to worry about your picture appearing on the cover of the next Guinness book."

Door prizes will also be given out by a random drawing throughout the day. Over $1,000 in merchandise has been donated by area stores such as Big Apple Music and The Last Unicorn. All proceeds and donations from the relay will be given to the Campus Fund Drive which benefits a number of local charities.

Both VanBuren and Applebaum report that excitement about the relay within the community is starting to build. "Events like this are great for providing community spirit," VanBuren said. "We need that feeling between the college and the local area in order to be successful." The team is really working hard and looking forward to April 8th, but still needs the involvement of the entire Hamilton community. To register for a time to swim, or if you have any questions or would like to volunteer some time to help the relay team, call their office at 859-4197.

"With your help, we'll shatter that record," said Applebaum. "Without it, we'll drown."

The Hamilton Action Volunteer Outreach Coalition (HAVOC)
Paid and Non-Paid Staff Positions
For the 1989 - 1990 Academic Year

Office Manager Manage the HAVOC Office, conduct volunteer interviews, coordinate the work of 10 - 15 HAVOC staff working in eight different service areas, conduct regular office correspondence on and off campus, serve in outreach capacity. 10 - 15 hrs./week, $1,000 - $1,500. Requires strong organizational and public relations skills, persistence, computer literacy using the Macintosh. Volunteer and/or organizational experience preferred but not required.
Asst. Office Manager Operate as systems manager for the HAVOC Data Management System, record all volunteer and financial records, update and carry out operations using a computerized mailing list, design and coordinate an effective transportation system. 5 - 10 hrs./ week, $500. Requires knowledge of and skill using a variety of Macintosh software programs and experience with computerized data management.
Group Projects Coordinator Organize group community service projects on and off campus. Create new service programs on campus.
Special Projects Coordinator Coordinate annual HAVOC programs and events. Facilitate the work of program heads and volunteers.
Fundraising Coordinator Develop fundraising efforts for local, national and international agencies. Chair the Campus Fund Drive.
Publications Coordinator Format, layout and edit monthly newsletter using *Pagemaker* system. Develop brochure and directory.
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Douglas Allsworth, Judiciary Board Chairman
Jamie Millar, ISC President
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New Service Group Formed

by Casey Gallagher

There is a new service organization on the Hill called Circle K. Circle K is a Kiwanis internationally sponsored organization that emphasizes service, leadership development, and fellowship. The first club was chartered in 1947 at Garthage College in Garthage, Illinois. Since then, the number has grown to over 700 clubs throughout North America and the world—making Circle K International the world's largest collegiate service organization.

The Hamilton College chapter of Circle K was chartered as an affiliated member on December 6, 1988 at a ceremony held at Clinton Forks Restaurant. The club is sponsored by the Kiwanis club of Clinton and became an official organization on campus in January 1989 upon acceptance of its charter by the Student Assembly.

Circle K at Hamilton was started back in September by a member of the Clinton Kiwanis Club, Nick Burns, a resident of Clinton. Burns presented the organizational structure of the club as well as community service ideas to students at introductory meetings at Bristol Campus Center. His interest and an enthusiastic response from students culminated in the official charter presented to the club in December.

The club's fifteen active members meet every Monday night at 7:30pm on the 3rd floor of Bristol. The club members have served a variety of organizations in their brief history at Hamilton. Activities have included working at the Clinton Teachers Association's annual Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser, wrapping presents at Christmas time at Sangertown Mall; helping at a book sale at the Kirkland Art Center; helping with a reception in honor of a visit by the New York District Kiwanis governor; and most recently working at the Kiwanis' Annual Pancake Day. This week members will work with the Clinton High School Students Against Drunk Driving during a "SADD Week" in which a panel of students will discuss alcohol awareness and social life from a perspective that high school students can easily relate to.

In the future Circle K is planning to have a fundraiser to benefit a charity to be decided upon at a later date; participating in a bowl-a-thon to benefit the Big Brother/Sister Program of Utica; walking in the Easter Seals walk-a-thon; and helping at the annual "Cleaner Clinton Week." Circle K holds open meetings on Monday nights and seeks to enlarge its role as an effective and helpful community organization.

HAVOC Helps Hungry

by Louise Christie and Vanessa Fieve, staff writers

Six hundred schools are involved in this year's hunger clean-up, which will take place on Saturday, April 15th across the nation. Seventy-five potential worksites, ranging from child-care centers to zoos, will be filled with busloads of volunteers. Teams will be fielded by societies, campus organizations, or will simply be made up of groups of friends. Individuals are encouraged to lead teams and filter them into the worksites. Betsy Nathan '91 and Toni Pressley '90, are co-organizers for this year's HAVOC hunger clean-up, an event which was first introduced to the Hamilton community last year. HAVOC with other organizations at schools nationwide, encouraged the participation of the Hamilton community in this one-day event.

The efforts of sixty-five students resulted in the raising of a total of $2500. By doubling the amount of time spent on preparation for this year's event, Nathan and Pressley are determined to more than double the numbers participating and consequently the money raised. Fifty percent of last year's money raised was donated to a local soup kitchen. The remainder of the money was handed over to the National Student Campaign Against Hunger. The organizers stress that all money raised will alleviate immediate suffering and will not be devoured by administrative purposes.

After digging a trench as a volunteer at the Kirkland Arts Center during last year's clean-up, Toni Pressley noted that "everyone was having a great time," and that the fact that they helped somebody made it a very satisfying experience. It is hoped that the faculty and administration will participate alongside the students in the clean-up this year, generating a positive community spirit, said organizers. President Payne has endorsed the event, stating that "it promises to be a great success."

It is anticipated that all expectations will be more than met, due to the "unbelievable enthusiasm from the people involved in this project", commented Nathan. This energy will be transmitted to the community, and people will continue to take HAVOC's goals and make them their own. As Nathan says, "we're part of a national network of committed, concerned students, working to alleviate hunger and increase awareness nationally and internationally."

Questions about contributions should be directed to Julia Yang on 859-0381.

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behavior is determined entirely by the environment.

The device for which Skinner may be most famous for is the "Skinner Box." The original model, used to study behavior, was a large, glass-enclosed, climate-controlled baby crib with equipment to keep infants amused and well-exercised.

The recipient of a Hamilton Honorary Degree in Science in 1951, Skinner's research inspired the development of the teaching machine, the forerunner of modern computer-assisted instruction, which has provided the theoretical basis for the therapeutic techniques used in the clinical practice of behavior modification.

Hamilton's salutatorian and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate, Skinner continued his education at Harvard where he received an M.A. in 1930 and a Ph.D. the following year. Skinner's lecture, sponsored by the Hamilton Departments of Psychology and Philosophy, is free of charge and open to the public.

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an agency which builds housing for the working poor, and spent five hours working with other students renovating an apartment building. Madeleine's concern for the environment prompted her to tour Fresh Kills, the largest waste disposal agency in Staten Island where over 3,000 acres of New York City's waste can be piled up to 500 feet high.

After a hard day of work, the evening held the prospect of yet even more activity. A Homeless Dialogue and Panel Discussion, moderated by Jonathan Kozol, gave students the opportunity to learn more about how they can make a contribution and fight the problem of homelessness in our country. Kozol, a Harvard graduate, Rhodes Scholar and author, is the founder and trustee of the Fund for Homelessness, a non-profit foundation based in Massachusetts. After the discussion, the students were provided with an evening of dancing and entertainment by five of New York City's best original bands. Proceeds from the concert, SOUP-AID, went to various soup kitchens and shelters in the area.

Saturday morning began with a program entitled "Nuts and Bolts", a series of workshops designed to enlighten and inform students on specific service issues and topics. Workshops offered ranged from *How to Start An Organization* and *Action Planning* to such issues as AIDS, drug education, illiteracy, and racism. Hartness attended a workshop that grappled with the issue of social service and social change, dealing with such questions as: When is service a disservice?; What is the role of civil disobedience and organized protest?; What about politics?

Wrapping up the weekend on Sunday, COOL sponsored an Opportunities Fair featuring dozens of non-profit and service groups providing information on issues, internships, careers and summer programs. In addition, workshops such as 'Careers in Service' and 'How to Search for a Non-Profit Job' were offered for anyone needing additional information or guidance. In all, the weekend was deemed "a great success," according to participants. Hartness, referring to the large number of students attending this year's Conference, spoke of the COOL network as "growing day by day.... an indication that the growth of community service groups represents a movement among young people, perhaps the movement among young people."

HAVOC, with over 200 volunteers campus wide, is steadily increasing in its membership and welcomes anyone with an interest in community service work to join its ranks, members said. Furthermore, in the coming weeks, HAVOC will be looking for up to six people to fulfill paid coordinator positions, according to sources.

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matching the $25,000 in order to help pay for the expenses of the program, sources said. With the $50,000, Hamilton will be supplying the expenses of the students and the salaries of the Hamilton professors. Hamilton is going to give the program a two year trial run which means that another $50,000 will be needed to be raised for the summer of 1991. According to Tobin, since "the program is contributing to higher education, it is worth the amount of money."

This type of summer program was started by Vassar College in 1985, and has proved successful. Vassar's program includes fifty students from surrounding community colleges. The other liberal arts schools to receive this grant were Agnes Scott College, Bucknell University, Lewis and Clark College, and Smith College.

The Provost from Bucknell University, Barbara Shailor, had views similiar to Tobin's as to the purpose of their program which will be in association with the Community College of Philadelphia. Shailor said that this program will give the students "room to choose what it is they want to do, and give them more options than applying to Temple University for further education." It will also help Bucknell, which is always "looking for ways to diversify its student body." Bucknell currently has a student population of about 3200 with a minority population of around 2%. Shailor was "pleased to be selected," and sees the program doing a lot of good for both Bucknell and the Community College of Philadelphia.

In an overview of the whole program, Harry C. Payne, President of Hamilton College, said "the college is looking to provide greater diversity of experience and perspective to its student population, [and] to establish cooperative relations with the public institutions in the Mohawk Valley and Central New York. We are grateful for the opportunity that this program will provide."

Doonesbury

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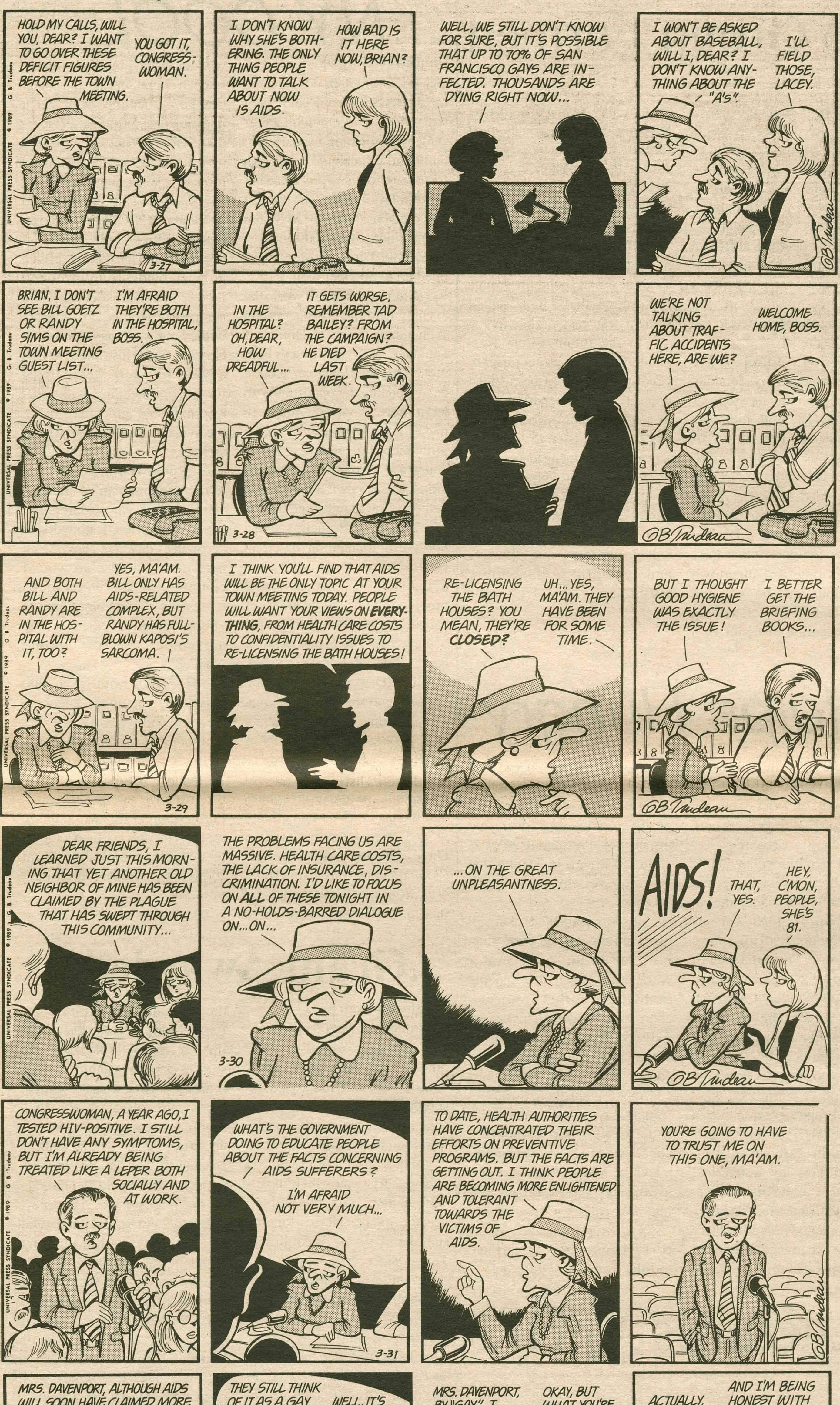
BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Personals

Hil-
Way to go over the hill.
-Bill

LR-Brown was really fun. How about Orange or Green next week?
?**BBT**

Emersonians-we made it! Isn't life in the non-selective lane fun?
-the Regent

Dear Krazee-
How's your cold? Oh, oh I love you so! Did you know life is a rubber rope? Oh Death, chili-dogs and plastic bags.
-Horsefly

Steph-
Don't make fun of Paul. He's actually a very nice guy.
-Tommy

Steph-
When are you going to shave your head bald? We're waiting...
-50 1/2 WHCL Listeners

Anne Frechette is in Nepal and her address is:
c/o School for International Training
Box 1373
Kathmandu Nepal

Dear bear,
Welcom back to dry land!
We missed you and we love you,
steg and dory

JMK-
Next time you sail away for two weeks, you better take me with you!
Always and always,
-AEK

Peace, love and Rasberries
The happy shag has returned
Greetings fellow weenies!

Jen-
When it rains it pours. Suck it up and have some fun. Smile!
Love, Wen

Photon Ed. (w/o horse),
Many more shopping days till your birthday.... Best of all in the next year of your life,
Love da staff

Suzy-q,
Thanks for caring, it means a lot to me.
C.A.B.

Shells,
I love you,
-E.

Hillary-
Happy Birthday and warm regards to you on you're sweet 16.

Crazy-
Elvis lives! So do fruitflies. Wrap yourself in Dinasours and let's party! Happy 20th Birthday! Yourr're two decades old now. I guess that means you're old and wise to the ways of the world (and the wierdos of the world like flyman). Have a happy, but no napkins please..
-me

Students work on the rigging.

A "Mystical" Seamester

by Cynthia Brainard, staff writer

Thoughts of a semester off the Hill provoke visions of studying in exotic foreign locales and taking part in international travel. Six Hamiltonians, however, realized that they did not need to travel outside of the United States in order to have their ideal off-campus experience. Drew Adair, '89, Blake Brophy, '89, Anne Kuhlberg, '89, Beth Fuller, '90, and Howard Rosenbaum, '90, have all participated in the Williams College Mystic Seaport Museum Program in the past two years. Jon Kurland '90, is currently studying at Mystic.

The Williams-Mystic Program, open to students applying from all accredited four year institutions, is designed for undergraduates with an interest in maritime studies. The program consists of four Williams College courses covering several aspects of maritime studies and a variety of maritime activities within the Mystic Seaport Museum. In addition, students participate in marine science field trips and a two week voyage aboard a marine research vessel. In this manner the program provides its participants with a chance to combine academic learning with practical field experience.

The program accommodates twenty to twenty-five students who are placed in four houses in groups of four to seven people. The participants are expected to be self-sufficient, doing all their own shopping, meal preparation and housecleaning. Adair, Brophy, Kuhlberg and Rosenbaum all stress that this communal aspect of the program was one of its outstanding features. Kuhlberg comments that "one of the best aspects of the program that makes it such a unique experience is the small group orientation....the house as a group does its own cooking, cleaning and shopping. Just living with different people is a big part of the Williams-Mystic experience." The students do not have an advisor who lives with them, but they have access to one should the need arise.

The academic work includes courses on the Literature of the Sea, American Maritime History, Marine Policy and a choice of either Marine Ecology or Oceanography. Adair, who chose Marine Ecology, characterizes the work as "challenging and in some cases rigorous. There is the same amount of work that there is here at Hamilton but less time to do it. The small class sizes motivate you to work harder than you thought you could." Classes are held in the library, which is housed in the Mystic Seaport Museum. Students are expected to utilize Mystic's facilities in order to complete research projects on a topic of their choice. Since Hamilton is one of twenty participating colleges, students receive full credit for their studies at Mystic. Numerical grades, however, are not transferred or averaged into one's cumulative average. Scholastic and academic needs which cannot be met by the facilities at Mystic can be taken care of at nearby Connecticut College. Thus, participants in the Williams-Mystic Program have all of the advantages associated with a college campus with none of the restrictions. Each student commented that the two week period at sea was the most memorable aspect of the semester. Once aboard the ship, students are kept busy nearly every moment of the day and night. The participants sail aboard a staysail schooner alongside a professional crew, but they are expected to help with navigation, standing watch and cooking. In addition to these duties, students conduct off shore research in the ship's lab. Brophy, who had broken a leg before going to Mystic, was expected to perform virtually all of the same duties as his shipmates. He states, "Three people sail the ship at a given time, so you must pull your weight....there isn't a chance for much sleep, either. During the night, you are on a four [hour] on, four [hour] off schedule. During the day, it is a six hour "on" schedule. Over a three day period, therefore, a student is rotated among each duty so he or she is exposed to every aspect of sailing the ship."

While aboard the schooner, friendships forged on land are strengthened in the face of increased tensions. Rosenbaum comments that "people tend to get irritable because no one gets more than seven hours of sleep at a time. You have to cooperate with people in order to survive." He found climbing the rigging in order to change the sails as the most memorable part of the two week journey. "You are climbing 50 feet in the air at a 45 degree to 90 degree angle over the water. It's frightening and every muscle is tense, but you have the support of your friends behind you."

The participants noted that their sea voyage tied each of the different facets of the program together. The information they had learned in class gave them a better appreciation for the sea, and enriched their practical experiences as well. In some cases, the program has spurred on career aspirations. Kuhlberg, for example, will be employed by Mystic this summer in order to do research on whales. Rosenbaum plans to apply for internships this summer in the field of marine biology, and is considering graduate school in order to pursue his interests. Students have a chance to develop maritime skills (which are not graded) two afternoons a week. They participate in activities such as boat building, sailing small crafts, setting sails and cod splitting. These skills, coupled with academic coursework, help to enrich the participants' understanding of the sea and their relationship with it.

Making Hamilton More Accessible

by Jen Hampton, staff writer

Except for the occasional injured athlete on crutches, Hamilton College does not have any members of the student body who are visibly handicapped. Nevertheless, the college is engaged in an ongoing process to make the campus accessible to the handicapped.

Hamilton's efforts to become accessible to the the handicapped is an ongoing proccess that Vice President of Administration and Finance Daniel O'Leary said is being done because "we think it's the right thing to do." This year, the college had the architects who designed the student lounges on the North side of campus inspect all of the structures on campus to determine what modifications had to be made to make most of the facilities accessible to the handicapped. Art Jewett, director of Physical Plant, prioritized the changes that should be made first. This year, over $20,000 is being spent above and beyond the architect's fee on modifications, and money has been allotted in next year's budget to complete the changes which were next on Jewett's list of priorities.

Modifications for the handicapped are also necessary under law. As part of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Congress enacted Section 504, the first civil rights law protecting the rights of the handicapped. In accordance with the Section 504 regulation, "no qualified handicapped person shall be denied the benefits of, be excluded from participation in, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any facilities because a recipient's facilities are inaccessible or unusable. The Section 504 regulation requires all recipients of Federal financial assistance from the department of education to operate their federally assisted programs or activities so that when viewed in their entirety they are readily accessible to handicapped persons," according to a publication by the Office for Civil Rights.

Jewett stated that many of Hamilton's buildings are partially accessible, and the college "has been yearly, little by little, making it more accessible." Burke Library, Kirner-Johnson, Christian Johnson, and the Bristol Campus Center are buildings which are partially accessible to wheelchair-bound and other handicapped people. The college is currently seeking bids for additional modifications. For example, tactical warning strips to warn the wheelchair-bound when the ground surface is changing, elevator controls which are lower and drinking fountains which are more accessible are some of the changes being planned. The college is also examining the possibility of installing one dormitory space in Dunham with a bathroom that is accessible to visually and wheelchair-impaired students. As laws change, the college must constantly make modifications for the handicapped. However, stated Jewett, "it's an expensive process, and can only be done a little at a time."

According to Doug Thompson, Dean of Admissions, "The college bends over backwards, we go as far as we can go in making adjustments for the handicapped." Although the college has no wheelchair, visually, or hearing impaired students enrolled at present, there have been handicapped students in the past and a blind student has been admitted into the Class of 1993. In the past, Hamilton has had to make adjustments for handicapped students. Thompson cited the case of a mobility impaired woman who was housed on the first floor of residence halls during her four years and whose classes were scheduled on the first floor when necessary. Jewett stated that "as long as the class can come to you, no modifications have to be made." Therefore, if a building is not accessible to a student but it is possible for the class to meet somewhere else or the professor to come to

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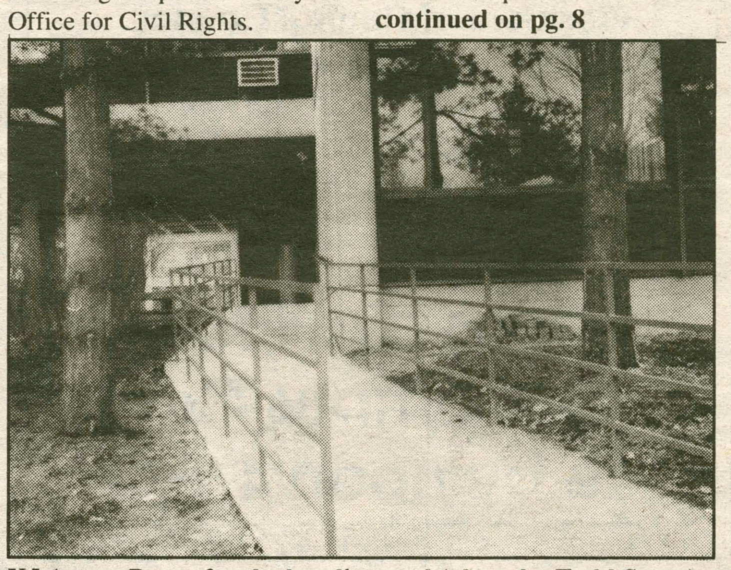

KJ Access Ramp for the handicapped (photo by Todd Sager).

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the student, no structural changes have to be made. Thompson said "this is not an easy campus to navigate, especially in the winter. We can't install elevators in every building, but honestly we do try hard." Thompson added that the problems a handicapped student might face at Hamilton are truthfully told to prospective students.

At present, there is one slighlty mobility-impaired student on campus for whom arrangements are occasionally made. The student is housed in first-floor rooms and, consults Rebecca Reed about housing and other needs. Under law, "Handicapped students must have an equal opportunity to benefit from comparable, convenient, and accessible recipient housing....The availability of housing directly operated by a recipient [an institution which receives money from the government] must be in sufficient quantity and variety so that the choice of living conditions is, as a whole, comparable to that of non-handicapped students. "

Should the accepted blind student decide to matriculate at Hamilton, several services would be made available to him by the state. One such service is the New York State Library for the Blind and Visually Handicapped. This library is a division of the Library of Congress which provides free library service to people who are legally blind, cannot read ordinary print without the aid of corrective glasses, who cannot use the standard book format because of physical handicap, or who cannot read print material in a normal manner because of a severe organic disfunction. The same books and periodicals found in public libraries are loaned in the form of discs, cassetes and records as well as in braille.

Another service offered to blind students is one sponsored by the Rehabilitation Counseling Section of the New York State Commission for the Visually Handicapped, which sponsors several hundred New York State College Students each year. Students are given a Rehabilitation Counselor who helps the student when necessary. The student is provided with funds to purchase reader's services to read text materials and tests and exams, to purchase the services of a laboratory assistant. He or she is provided with specialized equipment such as recorded texts, optical aids, recording equipment, and other devices to assist in compensating for blindness.

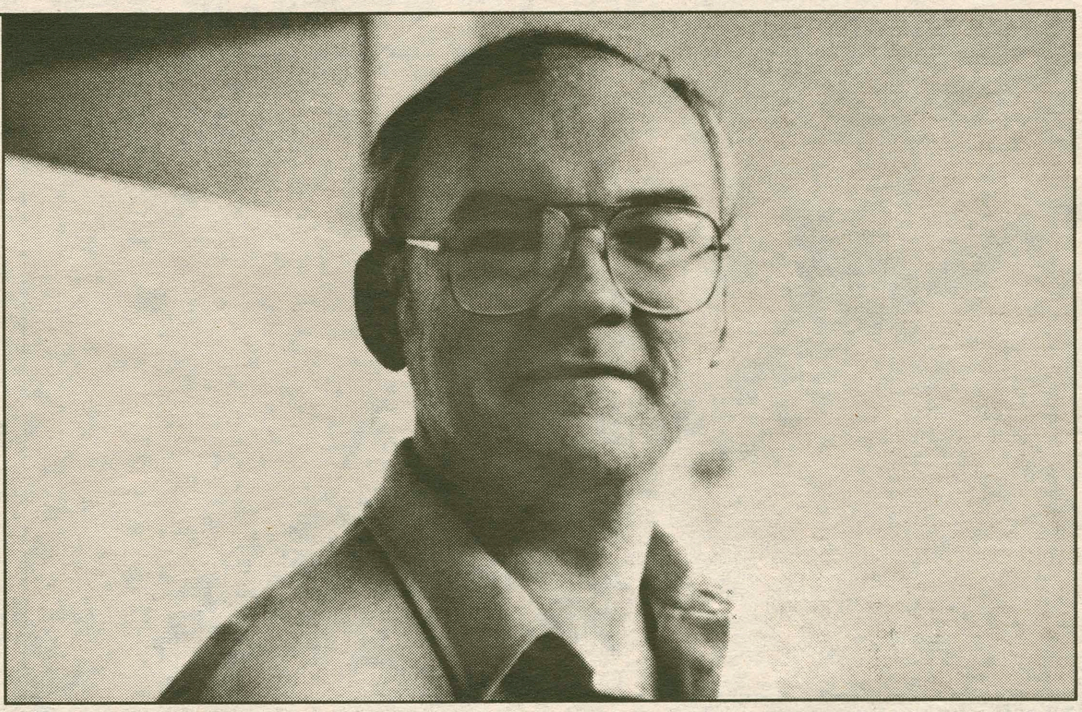
The college also makes adjustments when handicapped persons are visiting. If a wheelchair-bound friend or relative is attending a graduation, for example, a parking space is made available near the site and the area is made as accessible as possible to the visitor.

There are many areas in which the college needs to make modifications, such as making a jitney which is accessible to the handicapped or mobility impaired. Although it is difficult for the college to make all parts of the campus totally maneuverable to the handicapped, according to Vice-President O'Leary, "We do make every effort to ensure all students can be exposed to every facility on campus."

Student Assembly First Round Elections

President of Central Council
Vice-President of Central Council
Judiciary Board Chair
Interdormitory Council Chair
Academic Chamber Chair

Petitions available in Bristol Campus Center Due by noon 4/3/89



Steve Lupinski - keeping things under control in Major (photo by Greg Kuhn).

"Trashing the Dorms"

by Karen Stevenson, staff writer

As students get wrapped up in academics, friends and social activities around campus, it is easy to forget or overlook the diversity of Hamilton's community including the dedicated grounds crew. The dorm maintenance crew is an integral part of our daily lives—they make the dorms livable, especially after weekends, and essentially clean up after the endless mess that students create. Three such workers are Steve Lupinski, Carlene Oberacker, and Jim Vivyan.

A day in the life of Steve Lupinski begins at 7:00am in either Major or Macintosh, Monday through Friday. Steve has worked for Hamilton for six years, the first three years for the infamous ARA food service (no longer a part of Hamilton students' lives), and the past three years cleaning the dorms. His typical routine consists of cleaning the bathrooms, the windows, vaccuming rugs, emptying the garbage (or as he puts it "trashing the dorms"). Steve feels that "The College is really a good employer. That's why I'm here and that's why I'm staying." Workers get good health insurance, vacations, and sick time. Plus, after they have worked here a certain number of years, their children, if qualified, can attend Hamilton for free. Steve likes and dislikes the same thing about his job: the people. He says of Hamilton students, 98% are nice, and 2% are very careless. Most of his interaction with students occurs in the dorm, as he does not attend many Hamilton events. As he says "This is where I work, and I don't see it as where I play."

Reporting to work on the "night shift" from 4:00 am to 12:30 pm, is Carlene Oberacker. She begins in public buildings such as KJ or Buttrick for the first four hours, then switches to South, where she cleans the restrooms, the hallways, etc, and sometimes in her nonexistant spare time, using heavy machinery, she strips the floors of wax. This year marks her first time on the night shift, during the past ten years she worked the day shift. Carlene describes her work as "mundane," but she likes getting paid on Fridays, and getting out at 12:30 so she has more time to do things, especially during the summer. She explains that it is hard to keep up a good attitude toward work, unless a person is conscientious enough to take pride in what they do. Just knowing that her work is appreciated makes her feel better, citing a time this year when one of the resident advisors commented on what a good job she was doing. One of the perks Hamilton workers enjoy is a free education, if they want it. Carlene is taking advantage of this opportunity, and attends two classes a semester. If all goes well, she will matriculate with the class of 1992.

Jim Vivyan, earned such compliments from Carnegie residents as,"He's a great guy! He took excellent care of my fish!" Besides Carnegie, Jim does the daily cleanup after lunch at Backus House, and sets up special dinners. When asked about the benefits of working for Hamilton, Jim replied "That's why I work here!" He gets free tuition for his children, if they qualify, and he can use of all the facilities. Students might recognize Jim from seeing him at hockey or basketball games, which he sometimes attends. Mostly he says he just tries to fit in, and not get in the students way. Jim likes the communication with students and faculty. Some of the Carnegie residents stop by while he is working, to read the paper, and talk. Talking to students, Jim feels, fills the gap between his 12-year-old son and himself, and lets him know what 20-year-olds are thinking about. What is the worst aspect of his job? Jim replies "Monday mornings in Carnegie." Although students often disregard the hard-working efforts of the college grounds crew, maintenence individuals are essential to a smoothly running campus life.

Guinness World Record Swim Relay

at Hamilton College
April 8, 1989
Join the Team

Antonio's Trattoria (photo by Todd Sager)

More than Meatballs: Italian Dining in the Clinton Area

by Janette Schue and Narisa Svetvilas, staff writers

Forgotten what real pasta tastes like? Well, several area restaurants offer a terrific reminder and variety of other Italian selections as well. If you are looking for an Italian restaurant to tempt your palate, you might want to try one of these locales. Students may chose to enjoy the cozy atmosphere of Cavallo's or Alteri's, the convenience of Vincent's, or the romantic air of Antonio's.

Antonio's Trattoria Restaurant: Clinton Shopping Center- past McDonalds on Rt. 123 853-3556

Although Antonio's Trattoria may look like a casual pizzeria from the outside, appearances are certainly deceiving. The atmosphere within is intimate-candlelight and crisp white tablecloths create a romantic setting. The service is friendly but one should anticipate a wait for the food. Diners can endure the leisurely service by selecting wine from the varied wine list and by consuming plentiful baskets of tasty bread. The meals are excellent. The sauces and pasta are fresh, and the chicken is tender. Antonio's offers a variety of pasta, seafood and meat dishes. Prices for entrees start at $8.50 and spiral upward. The expense is relatively high but given the fine quality of the food, customers usually find their meals delicious and worth the price. For individuals who desire a quaint setting and seek a change from the loud, trendy offerings of Utica and New Hartford, Antonio's surpasses expectations.

Tom Cavallo's Restaurant: 40 Genesee St., New Hartford. 735-1578.

Cavallo's offers a friendly, comfortable atmosphere. There are plenty of booths and tables to crowd around while you feast on your spaghetti or steak, and the service is cheerful. Cavallo's also has a bar and video games to entertain its customers while they wait.

Dinner prices range from $3.45 for spaghetti, to $13 for a combination of steak and crab. Cavallo's recommends their steaks, but their popular items consist of pizza and pasta.

Cavallo's has a dinner special every night. On Mondays, it has an all-you-can-eat spaghetti meal for $1.25 and on Tuesdays, an all-you-can-eat chicken wings feast for $3.00. Each night Cavallo's has an affordable special. Not only can you eat cheaply but the restaurant serves generous proportions so no one leaves without a full stomach.

Reservations can be made on any night except Monday. Cavallo's runs on a first come first serve basis on Mondays because of the restaurant's popular spaghetti special. But the rest of the week is open to reservations if anyone feels like good Italian food and a casual environment. Visa and Mastercard are accepted.

Alteri's Restaurant: 7 College Street, Clinton. 853-6363.

The convenience of Alteri's location makes it a great place to go for dinner during the week when you do not have much time. The cozy atmosphere of the copper dining room is casual and inviting and the service is always friendly although occassionally irratic.

A good variety of extremely affordable Italian entrees are available. Alteri's lasagna and shells come highly recommended. Prices begin at about $3.50 for spaghetti and end at around $12.00 for steak or fish with Italian side orders. Alteri's also has tasty snacks, sandwiches, and pizza on the lighter side of the menu. Reservations are not required except for groups larger than eight, and are generally unnecessary.

Vincent's New York Pizzeria: 26 Chenengo Ave., Clinton. 853-6117.

Although many students have not seen the inside Vincent's Pizzeria because it delivers, Vincent's has a clean, spacious dining area. The tables are arranged comfortably in a typical pizzeria atmosphere. Besides the stools at the counter, customers can eat at the tables with a view of College Street (depending on one's perspective, this may or may not be a scenic view). A menu is also conveniently posted on a backboard, so customers can make their selection right after they walk in.

Vincent's is popular among students as an escape from dining hall food and a source of late night munchies. Students can devour a small pizza for $5.70 or a large for $7.85 with delivery. Usually, students are greeted with a clamorous rap at the door and a piping hot pizza. And if a student is lucky, he or she may have a friendly chat with delivery man extraordinare Rocket Rod.

Although Vincent's pizza is very popular, students also love the wings and sandwiches. Chicken wings cost $2.75 for 12, while the price of a larger order varies depending on how many one wants. The more wings a person orders, the better the deal he or she will get. Vincent's has filled an order of 300 wings before and will do it again! So basically, Vinnie's will do its best to accommodate the eating needs of students. Also, a variety of hot and cold sandwiches are offered. There are 13 different kinds of heroes; a small for $3.25 and a large for $4. With this variety, you can always find something to suit your taste when you get that hero craving.

A few of the new items Vincent's will have are fried clams, fried mushrooms, breaded chicken wings, and breaded shrimp. Other food on Vincent's menu range from calzones to their special fish fry.

Vincent's takes orders from 4:30pm to 1am and if you go to the pizzeria,of course, no reservations are needed.

Diskussion

Keys To Computing

by Frank Price

NEED DARKER PRINTOUTS? BYOR. Several people have complained about light printouts. This is a perennial insoluble problem: ribbons are expensive and we don't have people-power to reink them fast enough to keep everyone happy all of the time. If that isn't good enough, you have 2 options: pay to use a laser printer, or Bring Your Own Ribbons (they're on sale in the College Store — get the printer's make and model before going to Bristol). A student operator can show you how to change ribbons.

LASER OUTPUT FROM IBM. An IBM PS/2 in the Computer Center Microcomputer room can now use a LaserWriter. If you want laser-quality output from MultiMate, check out the *AppleShare PC* disk; boot with that disk, then start Multimate. For details, see the *AppleShare PC* envelope. If you don't use our Multimate, call Lisa Rogers.

COMPUTER SURVEY. We are gathering information on computer use to improve our planning. Please take a few minutes to fill out a questionnaire. Although the form has a place for your name, names will not be recorded when we analyze data.

BACKUP BLUES. Not backing up is a College-wide problem. Many offices still have important data on only one disk. Recently, disks moved at the wrong time trashed an important PCFile database (see below). That office was lucky; a day's work by two people rebuilt the file.

These brush fires should not happen. In this and other cases, users said they only backup completed projects. In fact, if you are looking at a deadline and a dead disk, it doesn't help to know you were going to make a backup when you were done.

Rule #1: Have at least two backups of every data disk. Rule #2: Back up a data disk every day you use it.

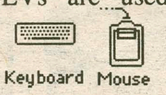
All office managers should be sure their staff are backing up files properly.

PCFile/R PROBLEMS. If you use PCFile/R, be careful when changing databases and disks. You *must* close the current database before you change to another. If you don't, you will damage one or *both* files! From the main menu, choose END and you can Resume, Change, or Quit. If you Change, PCFile will return to the Copyright screen and you can safely change disks.

If you think you have damaged files, don't do anything; call the Hotline (x3333).

A DIDACTIC DIGRESSION. After my last column, several people asked about SoundMaster and MacPuke, so I thought a little more information might help clarify several points about Macs. SoundMaster is a type of file called a "CDEV," short for "Control panel DEVice." Other CDEVs include the Mouse and Keyboard icons in System Folders:

CDEVs are used by the



Control Panel to set the way the Mac behaves. If you select the Control Panel from the menu, you will see a window like this:

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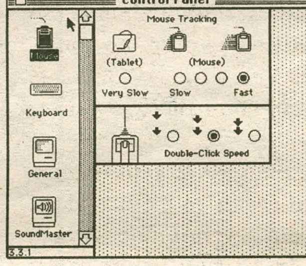

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Similarly, other CDEV's control other aspects of the Mac. To get back to the case at hand, SoundMaster lets you determine which sounds are played in response to particular events.

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You can turn off any INIT or CDEV permanently (trash the icon), or temporarily (drag it out of the System Folder). The change takes effect when you reboot. Put it back in the System Folder and it will return after you restart the Mac.

INITs and CDEVs are an excellent way for users to adapt the Mac to suit their needs — or their playfulness.

Bloom County

BLOOM COUNTY **by Berke Breathed**

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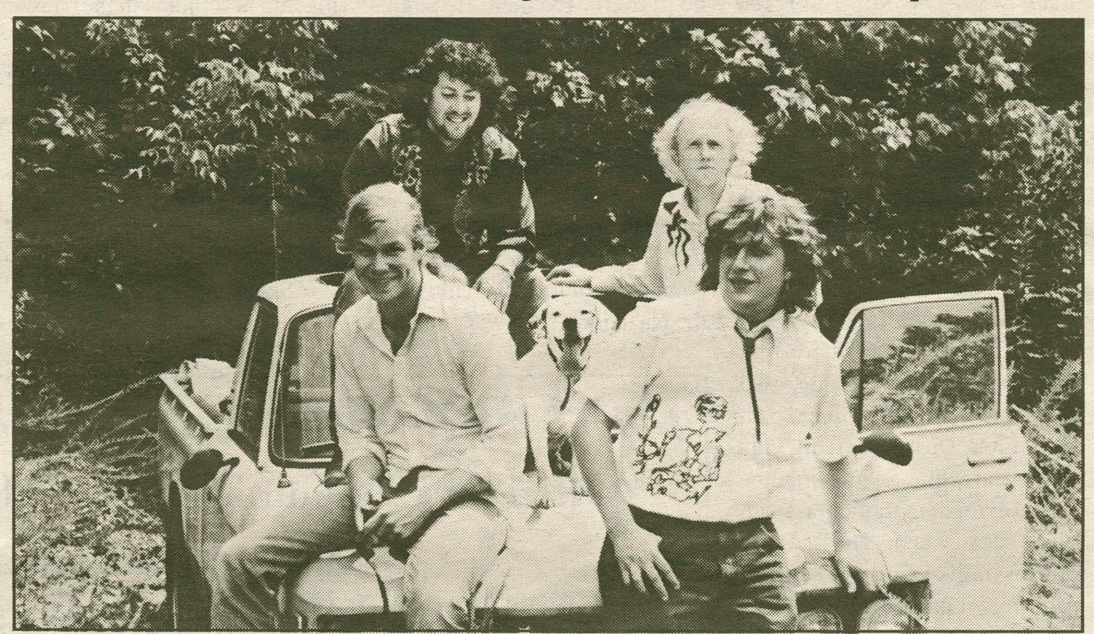
Triple Billing : "Variety is the Spice of Life"

by Tom Comerford, staff writer

Everyone's sick of hearing that saying, "Variety is the spice of life." But no one ever denies that it's true. A concert lined up for tonight, Friday, March 31, spans almost all rock appetites: from ska to "pop pastiche." The Program Board will be presenting *Six Feet Under, The Montanas*, and *Life in a Blender* tonight at 8:00 in McEwen Dining Hall.



The Montanas is just one of three bands playing tonight in McEwen at 8:00

In Great Britain, ska, the upbeat, Jamaican contemporary of reggae, has experienced a revival of sorts. Closer to home, a band from Connecticut displays their own brand of danceable ska. *Six Feet Under* was established by bassist/vocalist Adam Kahan. Arriving home from a trip to London during which he "o.d.'d on ska," Kahan called some friends, and the band jumped into action. Despite the band's devotion to ska, Kahan writes music that shows evidence of a healthy pop feel. *Six Feet Under* sets feet in motion: "It's not like we're some major political statement. We're just a band that wants people to enjoy listening to it, have fun if they want and dance if they want."

Life in a Blender, described as Jersey City's best band, remains true to its name when making music. The band's debut album, *Welcome to the Jelly Days*, presents the "pop-pastiche". In the songs, *Dogs Know How to Do It* and *Back to the Womb, Life in a Blender* showcases musical versatility, amusing lyrics, and a willingness to take risks. "When this Jersey City Cuisinart blends America's societal contradictions, a hybrid of pop-country immersed in humorous sludge is hurled across the vinyl."

Rounding out the trio of bands is *The Montanas*, from Atlanta. A recently released eponymous EP charges speakers with crisp, southern-influenced rock. Guitarist Jeremy Richmond makes his presence known, weaving crafty, catchy riffs and solos throughout the album. Songs on the album range from the acoustic countriness of *New Way to the Sun* to the heavier psychedelic dabbling of *Should've Known*. The album reveals the various influences of the 60's: *Byrds, Beatles*, and even *Simon and Garfunkel*, and it has been described "as neat as a paean to rock 'n' roll". *The Montanas* have generated much enthusiasm for their live performances; they do a cover of *The House of the Rising Sun* which "should never be performed in a nuclear power plant—it might explode!"

Three very different bands will play tonight, each capable of creating more energy than three bands combined. The price is right, too: only $1 with student I.D., $3 without.

Pictured above is the Hamilton College Woodwind Ensemble.

Woodwind Ensemble Expands

by Edward Denny, staff writer

Puffing effortlessly at their instruments, the members of the Hamilton College Woodwind Ensemble played their way into the hearts of this community some weeks ago. If you missed them, you now have a second chance to hear these exceptional performers when they return to Wellin Hall on Wednesday, April 5 at 8:30 pm.

The members of the ensemble include Sarah Phillips '91 and Mary Jean Iuorno '92 on flute, Josh Goldstein '91 and Sherry Keith '89 on clarinet, Jennifer Creem '92 on clarinet and bass clarinet, Greg Quick, Lecturer in bassoon, and Jon Pundt '91 on French horn. The group, directed by Richard Decker Director of Woodwinds, has expanded since its last performance with the return of Keith and the addition of the bass clarinet.

The ensemble will be performing a variety of selections including Joseph Haydn's *Flute-Clock Sonatas*, Keith Bissell's *Folk Song Suite for Woodwinds, La Renaissance* (Songs and Dances) arranged by David Stone, *Contrapunctus XII* from the Art of the Fugue by J.S. Bach, *Trois Duos Concertant, Op. 10* by Kuhlau, *Sonata, Op. 1, No. 2* by Giovanni Platti, *Conversation Piece* by Lennie Niehaus, and *Allegro con brio* from *String*

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Hamilton Choir Tours Northeast

by Rebecca Downing, arts editor

While many Hamiltonians were tanning on southern beaches, the Hamilton College Choir, Brass Choir, and College Hill Singers went on Spring tour.

The groups began their six-performance tour on Thursday, March 16 in Albany, New York. They also performed in Shelburne, VT on the 17th, Montreal, Canada on the 18th, Watertown, NY on the 19th, Toronto, Canada on the 20th, Buffalo, NY on the 21st, and Rochester, NY on the 22nd.

The choir performed works of Durante, Gabrielle, Pellman, Ravel, Hindemith, Brahms, Mendelssohn, and Monteverdi. The group has a distinguished 100-year-old history. It has performed throughout the U.S. and Europe, and has both commissioned and premiered new works.

The Brass choir is celebrating its 30th birthday this year. Last fall it presented the first performance of a new work by Samuel Pellman, Associate Professor of Music at Hamilton.

The choir was conducted by Tamara Brooks, Visiting Associate Professor of Music. The Brass choir was conducted by Charles England, Lecturer in Tuba and regular conductor of the group.

Besides performing, the groups had free time in which they visited Niagara Falls.

On certain nights, the students were billeted out for home stays with alumni, friends, and parents of Hamilton students, in order to defray hotel costs and expose the hosts to the college on a more personal basis.

In addition to the choir tour, the musical groups on campus have been preparing diligently for a busy spring of performances. *The Buffers* and *Special K* performed Thursday night, and the *Hamiltones* will perform Saturday night, April 1 with a vocal group from Bucknell University.

Twisted Loyalties in *Marathon Man*

by Tim Batchelder, staff writer

It was during some early years, when I was surrounded by the gloomy walls of some English inspired prep-school, that I remember seeing the death dentist for the first time. He ranks with some hazy shots of motorbikes flying down an underground nation in *Soylent Green*, a low budget film about a future society that survived by processing weaker humans in a giant blender and then eating them as green burgers. Strangely, I was haunted by a similar "blender image" that came from Roger Water's *Pink Floyd The Wall*, at about the same time. Most of these dark memories came late at night when I wandered down from my room to the family television to see if I could find any of the nasty uncut clips that the networks were so unashamed to broadcast at these hours. Usually, when I came across my intellectual milk and cookies, I would be too sleepy to notice much of it and these scenes would meld into crazy and surreal dreams on the rug.

But some of these images remain, and today, whenever I see oral pain, I think of the doctor. The doctor, in John Schlesinger's film *Marathon Man*, is a Nazi experimental doctor, who tortured jews with dental tools, then removed gold caps and such for his collection. The plot involves a young student, Dustin Hoffman, who becomes tied up in the plot of the C.I.A. to catch Nazi war criminals. This is not a statement film, however, and rather than address the horrific background of the doctor, Schlesinger chooses to keep this material at the level of detail. Hoffman's reaction is interestingly humble and unheroic, and his brother, the man who got him into the problem, is also realistically focused, as the man who knows he has gotten in over his head, in a bad business. The compassion between brothers is strong but not overplayed, and reminds us of the doomed link between brothers in *On The Waterfront*.

But the director relies on a list of fascinating stylistic elements that give an interesting plot an interesting image; two elements that rarely line up in film. First, Dust repeatedly vids black and white television clips of an olympic marathoner, from way back when. Hoffman is engrossingly humble as an aspiring runner who has the posture of bowl of jello and is passed by fitter joggers every morning. But running is a central element in this film, and Dust finds himself running as quickly towards danger as his brother is running away from it. He also runs towards the past of his father, who commited suicide for political reasons, as he is haunted by memories of the man.

Unlike earlier efforts along this line, a.k.a. *The Pope of Greenwich Village* and Brando's film, Hoffman recieves no help from his brother, and remains completely ignorant of what he is running towards. John Schneider is excellent, also, as the government agent who comes to the realization that the profession he has grown old in is no place for old men. He begins to run from the enemy, just as he has always run from the events of his father's death.

Another interesting element in the film is the director's message on the compatablity of cultures: an idea that holds uncomfortable implications in connection which the culture of the Nazi doctor. New York City, for better or for worse, has always been decribed as a melting pot of cultures. The director is careful to cement this position early in the film with numerous close up shots of Blacks, Spanish-Americans, and Jews. The soundtrack, by Micheal Small, provides interesting splashes of sound that reflect many different cultures. One particularly ingenious sound is that of a pin-ball machine's bells that are repeated in musical patterns that mimic the sounds of an African kalimba. The kalimba is an instrument that bears, not surprisingly, resemblance to the Jewish Harp, another instrument in the thumb piano family.

Schlesinger goes to lengths, visually and acoustically, to explore the relationships between cultures and the degree to which they can live together in a modern setting. Of course, in the case of the Nazis, the limits of compatibility were exceeded, but the painful parallels that Schlesinger draws between us and them seem summed up in one particularly twisted and thought-provoking dialogue which invloves the doctor and a head of a branch of the C.I.A., a man who would have been in a position equivelant to a Gestapo member in Second World War Germany:

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Doc: "So did we all"

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Pictured above is *King Snakes* who played on Wednesday in Bristol.

The Bristols Play Bristol

by Tom Comerford, staff writer

Think of an all-female band that's hit it big in the 80's. The *GoGo's* and the *Bangles* are almost all the 80's has offered. And their music is pure, top-40 pop. Enter the *Bristols:* an all-female band whose music features an engaging, post-punk sound. They aren't famous yet, but Boston's radio stations, WBCN and WFNX have ranked several *Bristols'* past singles among the top local songs.

In 1983, when a punk attitude was enough of a reason to start a band, *The Bristols* became a band. The *Cars'* Eliot Easton took early notice of the new band, and he loaned them equipment and allowed them to rehearse in his basement. Local fame for the *Bristols* arrived with the release of a demo tape in 1986. *You're All Around* and *Soldier of Misfortune* received extensive airplay from WBCN and WFNX.

Their music reflects influences of a "mid-sixties mod and British blues-based sound". Guitarist Michelle Haber delivers splintering solos, which creates an interesting contrast with Kelly Knapp's soft, country rich vocals. The band has many songs of its own, but the highlights of the *Bristols'* performances are their covers. Their rendition of *Husker Du's Sorry Somehow* was "all the more chilling when delivered by lead singer Kelly Knapp's chrystalline country soprano."

The Bristols will be performing at the HUB for Wednesday Nite Live on Wednesday, March 5 at 10:00 p.m. Their show is sponsored by the Program Board in conjunction with Women's Energy Week.

Intercollegiate Reading Series:

Writing Talents Convene

by Peter Schweighofer, staff writer

On Saturday, April 1st, and Sunday, April 2nd, the Third Annual Intercollegiate Reading Series will bring talented writers from several Eastern American colleges to the Hill. These authors will present their poems and short stories during two readings in the Dwight Lounge; Saturday at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

The first Reading Series was held in 1986. William Rosenfeld, Professor of English, wanted to give undergraduate writers an opportunity to showcase their work. He asked writing professors from several colleges to send one poet and one fiction writer. These representatives were chosen by their professors or through writing contests.

After traveling to the Hill, the writers were treated to a Middle Eastern Banquet and presented their works to the Hamilton Community. The poetry and short fiction read was compiled by Professor Rosenfeld in a Reading Series anthology.

This Spring, students from Colby, Cornell, Brown, Dartmouth and Bennington's undergraduate programs have been invited to the reading. Marcy Carpentiere '89, will be representing Hamilton. The English Department and the Writers' Society invite everyone to participate in this celebration of undergraduate writers.

The festivities will begin Saturday night at 6:00 p.m. in the Dwight Lounge of the Bristol Campus Center, when the traditional Middle Eastern Banquet will be served. Sponsored by the Writers' Society, the Lebanese food will be provided by Karam's Middle Eastern Bakery in Yorkville. Included on the menu are such delights as kibbe, tabuli salad, pita bread and humus, stuffed grape leaves, felafel, and baklava. The banquet provides students and faculty the opportunity to meet the visiting writers.

Saturday evening's reading will begin at 7:30 p.m. After presenting their poems and short stories, the visiting students will be treated to a night on the Hamilton social scene.

At 10:00 a.m. Sunday, April 2nd, there will be a breakfast for the visiting writers to meet Hamilton faculty and students. The reading begins at 10:30 a.m.

The English Department and the Writers' Society encourage everyone to come celebrate the talents of these undergraduate writers.

Search For "The Sure Thing"

by Deborah Reed, staff writer

All Walter "Gib" Gibson wants to do is get laid. Like most men, he views women as sexual objects and will feed them any line just to get them into the sack (This last statement is not a product of feminist ravings, folks. Most men in this movie are slimes.). However, Gib is going through a dismal dry spell. He is so horny and so desperate that he is willing to travel across country for The Sure Thing, i.e. a nubile blond stranger, no guilt, no strings attached. Will this aspiring womanizer actually opt for (gulp!) love?

I'll give *The Sure Thing* a "cute." This Rob Reiner film is nowhere near as good as some of the other films by the same director (*Stand By Me, This Is Spinal Tap*), but it is pleasant entertainment. John Cusack is energetic as the eager college clown, Gib, and Daphne Zunigua adequately plays his repressed love-interest. Neither Cusack's nor Zunigua's performances are memorable, but we can not find fault. The script does not call for much soul-searching.

The relationship and adventures of Gib and his love-interest are fun but superficial. No climactic turning point excites us. Gib does discover the satisfaction of honest love as opposed to slimy womanizing, but we always thought that he was more desperate than slimy. The film's recommendation that "life is the ultimate experience, and you have to experience it..." receives the same light treatment. Overall, the film's messages are treated so lightly as to be almost nonexistent. These messages are secondary to romance; the actual goal of the movie is to make us mindless with romantic sentiment.

Since mindless romantic sentiment is pleasant, my verdict is not bad, not good, but "cute."

...Woodwind Ensemble

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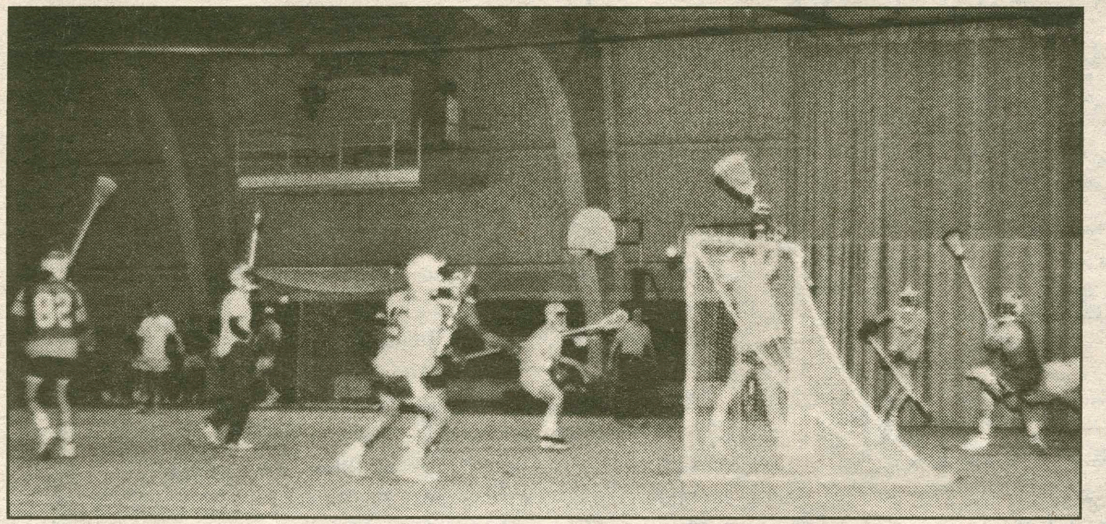
Quartet No. 4 by Haydn.

The Flute-Clock Sonatas are particularly interesting for they were transcribed from a score intended for a mechanical organ with various ranks of flutes. The Niehaus, Kuhlau, and Bissell pieces are notable because most of the ensemble's music is transcribed; however, these pieces are originals for chamber ensembles. Decker remarked that the *Allegro con Brio* from *String Quartet No. 4* is also unique in its transcription as the flute, clarinet and bassoon attempt to emulate the technique of strings for which the piece was originally written. Now that the ensemble returns in its expanded version, it will be exciting to watch and hear a new blend of performers and sound. So come one, come all and cheer on your favourite instrument.

The Denis Turechek Jazz Trio, performing in the Coffee House on March 29th for the Noonmusic program. The trio performed such classic jazz selections as "Black and Blue" and "The One I Love" to an enthusiastic and exceptionally large Noonmusic crowd. Highlighting the concert was Denis Turechek's masterful performance on the saxophone and oboe.



Men's lacrosse warms up for season (file photo).

Men's Lax: Taken to OT Twice

by Jon Frost

The Hamilton men's lacrosse team will vie for its eighth consecutive winning season this spring. Under head Coach Manfred Von Schiller, a thirty year coaching veteran at Hamilton, the Continentals have compiled a 66-24 record (.719) over the past seven years.

If the Continentals are to approach last year's 10-2 mark, which qualified them for the ECAC Championship, Coach Von Schiller must replace the offensive powerhouse high scorers Peter Hills (32 goals, 42 assists), Christopher Cabot (11,20) and Michael Fleisher (22,7). Hills, last year's Most Valuable Player, holds the record for highest points per game average (5.9).

The 1988 squad hit the cage for 130 goals, tallying double digits in eight of its twelve games. Several key members of last season's offensive unit return, including junior attackman Peter Groome, who connected for sixteen goals and two assists in 1988. The midfield looks strong as veterans Bill Green (12, 6), Bill Plumb (12,1) and Mark Lalley (7,3) return for the 1989 campaign.

With the graduation of four key defensemen in 1988, Coach Von Schiller is forced to find effective replacements for the starting defensive backfield. Behind the new Continental defense will be two-year starting netminder Mike Ardornato. Last season, Ardonato made 165 saves for an impressive .654 save percentage, anchoring a stingy defense which allowed only 6.9 goals per game. Also returning are defensemen Craig Halladay, Jon Dwyer, Woody Marshall and Jon McCouch.

Although the Continentals soundly defeated Division II West Chester 13-8 last season, Hamilton came out on the short end of the stick in this year's season opener. Groome scored five times for Hamilton, but West Chester's Bill Farrell's goal at 7:05 of overtime outdid the Continentals, 9-8. Ardornato fought off 22 total shots by the opponent, including 3 in the overtime period.

Hamilton rebounded the next day at Keuka, pulling out a double-overtime victory to even its record at 1-1. Groome was once again the leading scorer for the Continentals, tallying two goals. Plumb's third goal of the year at 3:44 of the second overtime gave Hamilton a 5-4 victory.

With hopes high for a successful road trip, the Continentals will face Vassar, Skidmore and the University of Rochester before returning home on April 8 for a battle with Williams.

Rookies Rocking
Baseball First Years Look Impressive

by Bill Kegan, staff writer

James Potter knocked in the tying runs and Russ Christ sent the winning run across the plate to help Hamilton College beat Rutgers/Camden 7-6 in classic come-from-behind fashion.

Potter, a first year, delivered the clutch hit with two strikes, two outs and his team down by two runs. Christ then brought Potter around to score for the game winner to give the boys of spring their first victory of the new season.

A strong pitching effort put in by another first year, Matt Miller, kept the game close for the thrilling comeback. Still another first year, Craig Mueller, added three hits of his own, and Dan DePaoli cranked out a home run to add to Hamilton's scoring.

It may be too early in the season to put such importance on one of the first games played, but this win was a big one. Hamilton not only showed it could come from behind to win, but also that its first year players are ready to help in the effort.

Unfortunately against Mary Washington and Cortland, Hamilton's guns were silent. The Continentals were shutout by Mary Washington 2-0, and shelled by Cortland 10-4.

The key in the Mary Washington game was "men left-on-base." Unlike the Rutgers/Camden battle, Hamilton could not come up with the needed hits to drive in runs. Bobby Spence had a superb outing on the mound, allowing only two runs on three hits (Boyd Johnson also pitched well in relief); but two runs were all that Mary Washington needed to come away with a victory.

Against Cortland, both pitching and hitting fell apart. Cortland's heavy bats could not be subdued by Hamilton's pitching staff, and most of Hamilton's offense came on infield hits.

Even though bad weather rained down upon the Hamilton College Baseball team during spring break (five of eight games were rained out), the sun did shine on them for a brief moment against Rutgers/Camden - and that brief moment in the sun could have a lasting effect on the rest of the season.

Hamilton takes on St. Lawrence in a doubleheader at home this Saturday at 1:00 pm.

Spectator Sports Spotlight: Jeff VanBuren

Interview by Scott Tyler, staff writer

Hamilton Swimming standout Jeff VanBuren is a junior from Liverpool, New York, where he also attended high school.

Spectator: What kind of accomplishments did you have in high school?

VanBuren: I was four year varsity, which is not normal. It's pretty hard to be on varsity your freshman year. I was Section III Champion in the 100 meter Breaststroke for my sophomore, junior and senior years, and State Champion in the 100 Breaststroke my junior year. Junior year I was also an Eastern Interscholastic Swim Championship finalist. I was captain of the Liverpool team my senior year and I was also captain of the Section III team at the State Championship senior year.

Spectator: Now in coming to Hamilton, was swimming part of the decision, did it play a role?

VanBuren: Well, yes. At all the schools to which I applied, the swim coaches were my prime contact with the school. I saw every school through the eyes of the swim coach. Colgate, Boston College, Hamilton, St. Lawrence, among others. I would talk to the coaches often, maybe once every two weeks. I talked to them a lot about the way that they trained their swimmers and the way that their program worked: how their championship meets were, how difficult it was at their championship meets, and how I would do in each program. What I really did was that I came here on a nice spring day, and hung out with Coach Thompson, who's a great guy. We walked around the campus, I met Pete Carlsson and Mike Cavino and some other guys. It was pretty much Hamilton once I came to visit. Plus, a couple guys from my high school were here already on the swim team, they were seniors when I was a freshman (Bob Kelly and Brad Montera).

Spectator: What can you say about your freshman and sophomore years (at Hamilton)?

VanBuren: Freshman year, I swam badly all season, because I wasn't used to the kind of training we get here; all the distance work. In high school we would just sprint all the time, we never did really long work outs. I came here and started doing all these long sets, and my body wasn't used to it, so I didn't swim well during the season. I quit the team actually, three weeks before States. I talked to Coach and I said maybe I shouldn't bother, because I was going to totally embarrass myself at the State Meet. I didn't want to have to deal with having to know that I trained all season to go really bad times at the State Meet. But for some reason, I stuck it out. I wound up placing fifth at the State Meet (100 Breaststroke), and going pretty good time. So I came into sophomore year, knowing what had happened to me freshman year, and doing the same training, so I expected to swim slow during the season, which wasn't the best attitude. But it was to save myself grief from not swimming faster during the season, because when I didn't swim fast I was never satisfied. Freshman year was a head case, because I never swam fast. I was used to swimming fast during the season in high school, and scoring points; I wasn't even scoring here. I was being beaten by people who I

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Lady's Lacrosse

by Ariana J. Tadler, staff writer

Within the past month, the Women's Varsity and Junior Varsity Lacrosse Teams have been busy preparing for the upcoming season. The season was to open with the Continentals' first game against Skidmore College on March 30th, depending on weather conditions.

Although the lacrosse team saw ten of its strongest players graduate last season, Coach Betsy Bruce is looking forward to a successful season. The Varsity and Junior Varsity teams presently consist of thirty-six members, all of whom look promising. Bruce says, "We're facing this season with a different group of players, but so far they look good on paper." Bruce claims that this year's Varsity team is the largest Hamilton has seen in some time. There are eighteen field players alone!

In preparation for the season, the Women's Lacrosse Team dedicated the first weekend of their Spring Break to the sport. They travelled to Maryland, where they participated in the Lacrosse Marathon. Although the team faced a slow start in the tournament, losing to Dartmouth and the Baltimore Club, the women soon regained the Hamilton spirit. On Sunday, the Continentals defeated Holy Cross and East Strasbourg and went on to tie Dartmouth, 3-3.

According to Bruce, the Maryland Lacrosse Marathon was well worth the sacrifice of the first weekend of Spring Break. "Everybody grew both on and off the field." While there, Bruce had the opportunity to assess the team's strengths and weaknesses. More importantly, she was able to establish a preliminary line-up.

In the goal, Bruce has three keepers. Junior Jackie Mongeau is a recent convert. Although she has played attack in the past, she has chosen to move into the goal this season. Sophomore Sushi Singer is a second year Continental goalie first year Amy Kline is the newest member of the goalie squad. The three women have been working well together in the net, and Bruce foresees a promising season for all three women.

The team has lost several players in the area of deep defense. However, Bruce is confident that the present players will draw together to form a strong wall of defense. Junior Tracey Turnbull has been designated as point. She has improved tremendously in the past year, and has learned to produce a great block. According to Bruce, Turnbull has stuffed some of the best players in recent practices. Junior Doreen Kennedy, a third year Varsity player, will act as cover point this season. The position of third man is presently up in the air. Promising prospects include First year Emily Gardner, sophomore Lisa Lavinson and senior Chesley Williams. Sophomore Lisa Stichweh, first year Donna Proietti and sophomore Susie Haffey are presently vying for the positions of right and left defensive wings.

Senior and Co-Captain Tracy Kinney will be pulling the draw for her third season as center. According to Bruce and Assistant Coach Phil Grady, Kinney is one of the highest percentage shooters on the team. The Continentals' attack is looking particularly strong this season. The other co-captain, senior Megan Meyer, will be busy running the field as left attack wing. In her sophomore year, Meyer was chosen as an All State player. Meyer again pleased her fans by making the All Tournament team last season. Sophomore Jessica Fraker will fill the position of right attack wing. Other attack wings include juniors Courtney Cooney and Elizabeth Miller, sophomore Pam Johnson and first year Heather Harper, all of whom are strong players.

As we approach the defending of the goal, we reach the area of our homes. Senior Co-Captain Sarah Morton will be busy shooting on goal as third home. First year Emily Helm, otherwise known as "the little dynamo," will be a strong second home. Finally, as first home we will see sophomore Jessie Toland who was deemed last year's Junior Varsity high scorer. According to Bruce, Toland has "a real deceptive shot," one which many goalies will learn to dread.

Bruce is looking forward to working with her Assistant Coaches Phil Grady and Missy Stengel. Stengel is a Continental alumnus who proved to be All State and All Regional in her day. According to Bruce, both Grady and Stengel are enthusiastic about this season. With Bruce tending the goalies, Grady charging up the attack and Stengel blocking up the defense, the three coaches foresee a successful season.

Softball Ventures South

by Janice Jenny, staff writer

The Hamilton women's softball season has begun, and once again the team's first outdoor practice took place in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Fifteen northern teams met during spring break to take part in formal scrimmages prior to their season openers back home.

The week began questionably for Hamilton when returning senior Co-Captain Melissa Hart became the season's first casualty. Stitches sidelined Hart for the duration of the trip. Junior pitcher Heide Katerba captured the squad's first win of the preseason, as Hamilton defeated St. Bonaventure. First year Karen Lodinsky came through with a clutch hit that knocked in two RBI's giving the Blue a 2-1 victory.

The following game was against powerhouse Cortland State and suffice it to say, Hamilton was defeated. Following the loss, the squad came out a bit sluggish the next morning, and although there were some nice hits and spectacular plays, the squad dropped a second game, this time to East Strausberg. That afternoon, however, Hamilton came to life as once again Katerba was the winning pitcher. Hitting sensation Samantha McNamara's grand slam home run signified the end for the Dickinson Squad. Hamilton ended their preseason play with a respectable record of 2-2.

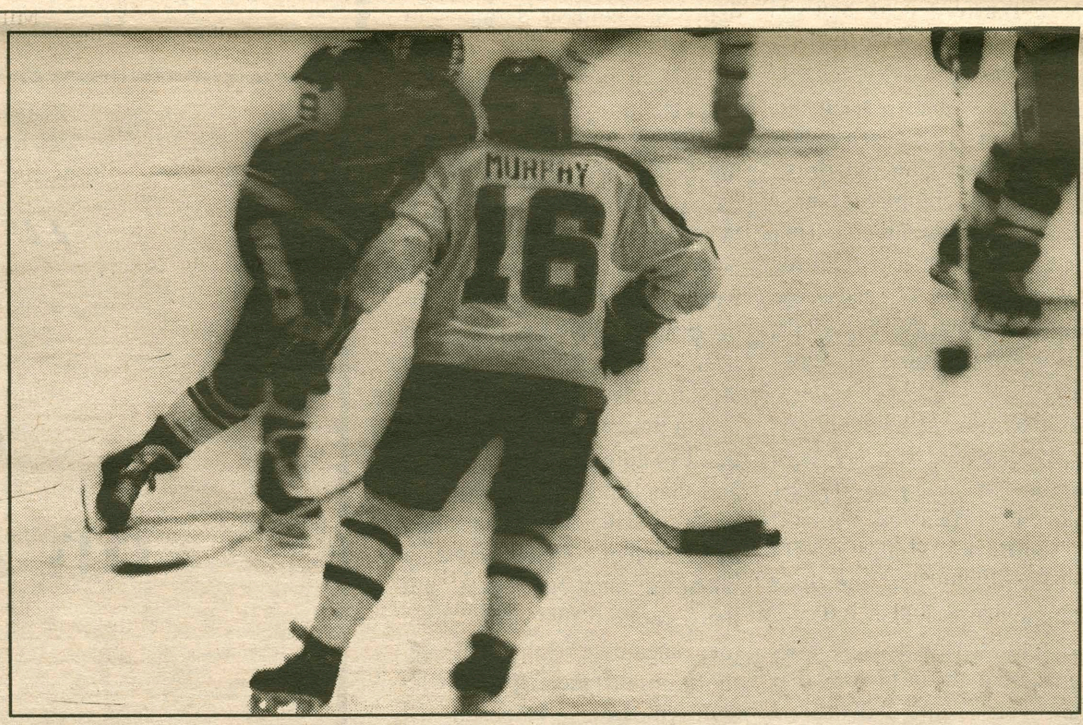
Although four games were rained out and the trip ended a day early, the week was not a complete disaster. Comments by team members about the trip admittedly are too profane to print, however there were a few highlights. Among the non-softball related were: both Hamilton vans broke down, the keys to these vans were lost, and there were basketball games against Smith College and Rutgers.

> *"...Samantha McNamara's grand slam home run signified the end for the Dickinson squad."*

Softball highlights included junior catcher Josie Raimond stealing her first base of the season, as did juniors Kim Wysocki and Jennie Petrie. Also giving hope to the squad are McNamara and Katerba who seem at this point to be heading for spectacular slugging percentages in 1989. In fact, this year's team appears to be at least as talented as last year's 14-2 team, which incidentally was ranked 8th in the nation for team batting average.

This year the Blue has been inundated with new talent, as seven rookies comprise the majority of the squad. First year outfielders are Jesse Aitcheson and Karen Lodinsky, and in the infield are Kim Hansen, Anne Hughes, Maria Leone, Andrea Perotti, Nancy Unis, and Joy Wheeler.

Tuesday all players saw time when Hamilton travelled to Utica College for another scrimmage. The team adjusted well to a variety of line-ups and defeated Utica 5-4. The team will travel to Elmira on Saturday, where it will play a double header against Elmira and Binghamton.



1989 Hockey Captain Pat Murphy (photo by Russ Horr).

Murphy Elected Captain

ECAC Accolades Announced at Hockey Banquet

by John McCormick, Sports Editor

Junior Pat Murphy was elected captain of the 1989-90 men's ice hockey team, Coach Phil Grady announced at the team's annual postseason banquet on March 12. The 5'9", 160 pound Murphy finished fourth on the 1988-89 leading scorers list, tallying 12 goals and 18 assists. Murphy's career stats (48-45-93) place him just seven points shy of the century mark.

For the third consecutive season, senior right wing Harry McCabe received the Most Valuable Player Award. Just as in the 1987 season, he shared the award with goalie Guy Hebert. For the second time in his career, Co-Captain center Paul Cannata was elected the team's unsung hero, and classmate and other Co-Captain Rob Beaulieu received the Seller's Award, which is annually presented to the player who, in the judgement of his teammates, exemplified sportsmanship and the hockey ability to inspire the team to play the game. First year defenseman Peter Mastracco was named Rookie of the Year.

In addition, McCabe and Hebert were named to the ECAC West All Star first team. Beaulieu was name to the second team.

Squash Results

The squash team was hoping for fifteenth in the country when they met Brown for the final match of the year. An inspired Hamilton team overcame Brown, 6-3. Winning for Hamilton were Elias Hasannali, Tim Graves, Steve Sylvester, Dit Dudley, John Spencer, and Raja Parthasarathy. Nevertheless, the Continentals left Yale ranked fourteenth in the U.S.

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knew I was faster than. So sophomore year I came in knowing that maybe I wouldn't swim that well during the season, but when the end of the season came, I knew it would be there; when we rested for States and shaped. So that year I had a better attitude during the season and I went a 59.67 100 Breaststroke, which placed fifteenth at the Nationals, and was my career best time.

Spectator: In your freshman and sophomore years, in which events did you compete?

VanBuren: I swam the 100 and 200 yard Breaststrokes. Freshman year I broke the 200 Breaststroke school record. The previous record had been 2:14.5, and I swam a 2:13.86. Sophomore year I went slowly in the 200 meter Breaststroke, but I broke the school record in the 100 Breaststroke. The record was 1:00.10, and I went a :59.67. This year I broke both records, the 100 Breaststroke record is now :58.84 and the 200 record is 2:12.98.

Spectator: How do you feel the team did as a whole this year?

VanBuren: Well after last year, the men's team couldn't help but do better, because we had to travel a lot. We started out at New Hartford High School, and then after Christmas we started going to SUNY Technology. The women's team did really well last year because they didn't mind driving out every day - they had a committed bunch of really good swimmers. This year was a lot better overall for the men's team. We had some really good meets, especially against Potsdam and St. Lawrence.

Spectator: Now individually, what would you say were your best meets, your biggest achievements this year?

VanBuren: Well, definitely my best meet was at the State Championship Meet at Buffalo. During the season, I swam okay (compared to the last two years I swam very well, actually): I swam a really good breaststroke split against Albany in the medley relay. It was nice to do something good during the season. I surprised the heck out of myself; for a while there I was going with 1:02 splits off the relays, which are good for me to do during the season. It's largely due to the training we did; we did a lot of sprint training this year. As far as my best meets, again I'd say that my best was the State Meet. Last year at the meet I qualified in the 100 Breaststroke, and came back and swam finals at night. I swam the race for a scrappy Colgate swimmer - I let him beat me basically. I wasn't ready for the race and I messed up. So he beat me by four one hundredths of a second. We both went slower than we did in the morning. So this year, I came out to the State Meet and I felt really good, and went :59.11 in the morning to qualify first against a challenging field. There were a couple guys who I knew I had swam against in high school. Then at night, all I wanted was to win that 100 Breaststroke, because I felt cheated out of it last year. I swam really well, I had a great race; it was the best race of my life, no question. It was my career best time, :58.84, which is an awesome time for me.

Spectator: Is there anything else you can say about this year, concerning yourself?

VanBuren: I've learned a lot about being a more mature swimmer. I use my head when I swim now, instead of what I did in high school and even in the beginning of my collegiate career. I used to have the attitude of "the harder you work, the faster you go", but that's not true at all. It's all in your head - you can do anything you want to if you put your mind to it. There are so many ways you can go fast when you swim if you just think about what you're doing, and swim correctly. So we did a lot of work on that this year, too. I had a really bad swim at Nationals in the morning this year, I went 1:00.01 in prelims, and I was seventeenth. However, had I been in the final heat and gone my best time, :58.84, I would have place third at Division III's. What I have to look forward to next year is my last opportunity, well I won't view it as a last opportunity of course, I'm going to go in and see how well I can do at Nationals. I'm going to go in to that meet with a firm attitude that I'm going to do really well, and that I'm as competitive as anybody at that meet. There may be a bunch of us that are equal in talent, in that final heat, but there's nobody that's better than me, I mean we're all equal. On the day of that meet, it's just who swims the fastest. Hopefully I'll be one of the ones who swims the fastest.

Spectator: Is there anything else you can say about the team or yourself for next year?

VanBuren: The team pulled together at the end of the year this year at the State Meet, better than it ever has in the past three years. Everybody was really concerned about everyone else, it was a big team thing. It would be nice to get that spirit throughout the year next year. Even with all the other things the team has to do, we have to take our common interest, which is swimming, and let that be important enough that we can be friends. A developing of friendships should lead to a more successful team.

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Objections to Divestment Answered, Again

In the March 10, Spectator, *Thornton Lockwood raised some questions regarding the cause behind Hamilton's divestment movement. There are many Hamilton students who question the reasons for divestment, and examine the objections that they have heard anti-divestment speakers mention. Three years ago, in the March 27, 1986* Spectator, *Mike Rothenberg and Jim Finster wrote a piece entitled "Objections Answered." Divestment remains an important issue at Hamilton, and Rothenberg and Finster's answers are still applicable. Following are excerpts from their article.*

Compiled by William B. Thackeray

We would like to examine some of the common objections to divestment:

1. Some persons say that we lose our ability to influence the policies of corporations with interests in South Africa if we divest of our holdings in them.

This objection to divestment carries an implicit confidence in the effectiveness of the Sullivan Principles. The Sullivan Principles were originally designed in early 1977 in order to "contribute greatly to the general economic welfare of all the people of South Africa." In actuality, the corporations employ only a small fraction of the black population (.4 percent of the South African work force). The Principles do not affect a large enough sector to make an appreciable difference in the lives of black South Africans. Moreover, racist governmental laws prevent the Sullivan Principles from being effective. For instance, by law, no black person may occupy a company position in which he or she has authority over a white person. Regardless of whether we maintain our holdings in order to impel a company toward affirmative action, the very investment in that company fuels the system of government which prevents such affirmative action with its racist laws.

2. Some persons say that if we divest of our stock in companies with interests in South Africa, another investor will buy them up. Therefore, divestment will have no appreciable economic impact.

This objection is specious since the nature of the securities exchange supports the first part of the objection; another investor will most likely buy the stock if it is attractive to do so. However, increasing divestment on the part of investors will erode investor confidence in corportions with interests in South Africa. So the second assertion of the above objection does not necessarily follow from the first. For example, multiple divestments on the part of U.S. stock holders in early 1985 upset the South African economy by shaking the confidence of bankers in the rand (the South African dollar, which dropped over 60 percent in value). In addition, bankers recently met to discuss renewing loans to South Africa. Their renewal of the loans was contingent upon the South African government effecting changes in its policies. One result was the lifting of the government's declaration of a state of emergency.

3. Some persons say that by divesting of our holdings in corporations with interests in South Africa, we run the risk of depreciating the College's stock portfolio. Thereby, we endanger the future security of the endowment and thus the quality of education at Hamilton.

Although the fiduciary responsibilities of the Trustees require that they provide for the welfare of Hamilton College to the best of their ability, investing in corporations with holdings in South Africa does not necessarily maximize investment return. According to Zandile Mkwanzi, no company has shown a loss as a result of disinvestment of South African holdings. Moreover, many securities analysts would claim that investments in corporations located where governments are not stable are not secure investments. The potential collapse of the South African government makes investment in companies with holdings there less than wise.

One may notice that we have neglected to address any of the arguments for divestment which morality compels us to espouse. We believe that the moral repugnance of the Apartheid system of government renders it ethically, rationally and humanly insupportable. We urge that you consider the objections and responses. We believe that the economic uncertainty associated with investing in corporations with holdings in South Africa in conjunction with the moral reprehensibility of Apartheid government makes Hamilton College's responsibilities clear.

Rape and Graffiti on the Hamilton Campus

by Thornton C. Lockwood Jr.

Thursday morning, Hamilton College students awoke to a typical early Spring day; gray cloudy skies, chilly biting gusts, and never ending drizzle. Yet this morning was quite different for the average society member who happened to wake up before the gales of Clinton could wash away the blood-red, spray painted slanderous epitaphs left upon their doorsteps. The doorsteps of Sigma Phi read "A rape has occurred here, Stop Rape." The message to Delta Upsilon was more specific: "A Women has been raped here, Stop Rape." The brothers of Alpha Delta Phi were even given advice as to how they might contribute to the apparent spree of rapes only taking place at Hamilton College societies: "A women has been raped here, Disband Now." The members of the Emerson Literary Society were only asked to "Stop Rape." Rape does not take place at the Emerson Literary Society. Finally, the Office of Communication and Development at the Alumni Center, the Mail Center, the Career Center, and the Soper Commons Dining Hall were all bespattered with the demand "Stop Rape."

Rape is a loathsome and heinous crime perpetuated by our society. Women are forced to live with the fear of rape, whether they are walking down an abandoned city street late at night, sitting in the backseat of a boyfriend's car, or lying "safely" in bed, at home with their parents. The violation of a human's body is not merely a physical intrusion, it is an emotional and psychological invasion of a person's very sexual identity. Physical scars often heal; psychological scars rarely do. It is with this understanding that I feel compelled to condemn and abhor the spray painted graffiti covering the doorsteps of Hamilton College's societies last Thursday morning. Alas, I must confess, apparently I must be one of the two hundred odd rapists so easily identified by my living accommodations on this campus.

The statements expressed to Hamilton College Thursday need to be addressed on two levels. By definition, vandalism is the "malicious or ignorant destruction of property." Most certainly we are familiar with this plague upon the campus; we observe it in our dormitories and upon our paths, we witnesses it at our beer hall keg parties and campus programming events, and we pay for the community's excesses at the end of the semester. Vandalism should neither be permitted nor condoned in our daily happenings at Hamilton. Yet this is an old story. The Dean's Office provides students with a handy price list to help plan and estimate their own personal excesses. Students see the Sunday morning results of rambunctious and unruly Saturday night keg parties in their dormitories. Although repugnant, vandalism raises neither eyebrows nor reactions from the college community. Fortunately, dear reader, I will not bemoan to you the evils of vandalism; they should need no enumeration. I must take issue with something a little more reprehensible: viscous individual slander.

When asked about the Thursday morning graffiti spree, Acting Dean of Students Robert Kolb remarked "anytime you impugn a group of people to reinforce stereotypes, it's worse than inaccurate; its unfair. It's like every other stereotype we try to diffuse." Does rape occur in societies? As a member of a society, I can only guess. No, I do not believe that I have ever raped anyone. A simple lesson I have always taken to heart is "No means no." Incredulous as it seems, I know other societies members who feel the same way. As a human conscious of the evils of rape, am I in a minority of politically correct frat boys? Somehow I do not feel that way, yet again, I am most likely far from objective. Although I am unfamiliar with any specific instances of rape taking place within the walls of a Hamilton College society, I will acknowledge that rapes are generally unreported by the victim, furthermore, if sexual harassment charges were brought against a society member, I would hope that the Sexual Harassment Grievance Board would keep the specifics confidential. I can neither prove nor disprove the existence of men who rape within the walls of any given society. Yet apparently there are members of the college community omniscient enough to spot the halls of the rapists, and ready to label them as such.

In all fairness, regardless of my ignorance in the matter, it would be a fair assumption that rape has occurred within society houses at Hamilton. It would be a fair assumption that rape has occurred within the walls of Dunham and Carnegie, Milbank and Babbitt, and Keehn and the Black and Latin Student Union. Rape is one of those few beasts which does not discriminate against race, color, creed or socio-economic status. As such, all the community needs to be educated in the horrors and fallacies of rape. What the community does not need is the perpetuation of the frat boy-hockey player rapist. Unfortunately, the actions of Hamilton College's artistic social conscience only reinforces frat boy stereotypes and place non-society members in that hallowed territory of the politically correct, the realm of the holier-than-thou. If there was a shred of evidence to support the implication that non-society members do not rape women I would most certainly have to reevaluate the influence of society life upon the impressionable college student. Yet I contend that if society members are prone to the raping of women, they most certainly are reflecting the present ignorance of the community, not some homophobic, sexually abusive, evil secret known only to the members of secret societies. The rapist glances in the mirror; it is not a fraternity which stares back, but the entire society which is reflected in his image.

"An educational institution like [Hamilton] needs to be in the business of casting out stereotypes, not perpetuating them," commented Dean Kolb. Ironically, Hamilton's artistic demagogues failed miserably in their attempt to raise Hamilton's social conscience. Were their statements supposed to illuminate society members to the evils and misunderstandings of rape? As a member of a society, am I to follow the suggestion given to the brothers of Alpha Delta Phi and seek the disbanding of my society? Is it anger, frustration, or mere naivete which allows our vandals to believe that their graffiti had any constructive component? When I am unfairly accused of being a rapist, I do not ask what might be the legitimate reasons for such an accusation; I scream "how dare you call me a rapist, you do not even know me," and stubbornly I return to my anachronistic conceptions of the term rape. Whatever hope there might have been to explain why I might be a rapist was lost in my firm retrenchment against the slanderous accusations before me. Once again I can return to my stereotypes, alienated from what I imagine is a rabid horde of hairy legged feminists bent on my castration. To the artistic social conscience who saw fit to maliciously vandalize the private property of my society with slander, I say congratulations. Your failure at conscience raising is only exceeded by the magnitude of the issue which you have so poorly mishandled.

T. Offense

To the editor:

As a member of the Hamilton hockey team, I wish to protest being stereotyped by omniscient hypocrites. I also wish to make Pierce Backes aware of some of his shortcomings so that in the future he will be able to make a genuine and legitimate effort to battle the "atrocities" that he claims exist here at Hamilton. (It should be made clear that I do not deny the existence of these problems.)

My concern for the attitudes of the very few at Hamilton toward myself as a hockey player and toward athletes in general had not really hit at heart until a brief conversation at a party earlier in this school year. I approached a fellow who was a compatriot. I commented that I was thrilled at having recently met him, for this acquaintance brought me home to the country I have grown to love. Not knowing that I was a hockey player, he added that he does not associate with any other Canadians, for all the other Canadians in his class are hockey players. At that point, I wanted to defend myself, but I didn't know what to defend against. I knew one thing, and that was that I was insulted. I decided to walk away. Thoughts raced through my head. Should I be ashamed that I play hockey? Am I less than human for playing the sport? Don't I care about racism, sexism, et cetera?

The prejudice against hockey players is evident in two letters to the Spectator in previous issues: the first, **Offensive T.** (3.3.89) by Jennifer Williams '89 *et. al.* and the second, **No More Offense** (3.10.89) by Pierce Backes '91. In **Offensive T.**, Ms. Williams describes a situation in which a male, considered to be "rather intelligent", was seen wearing a t-shirt that said, "Let's go you Pucking Conts!" She then asks, "Why is it that some athletic teams on this campus continually feel the need to degrade women in an attempt to promote themselves?" Assuming that "some athletic teams" includes the hockey team, it is wrong to include the whole team as being responsible for selling something that you claim to be offensive to others. (I am not arguing whether the t-shirts are offensive or not.) The hockey "team" was not responsible for this venture. It was the work of one individual. Why, then, should I be stereotyped as a person who "feels the need to degrade women"? Ms. Williams seems to be promoting the very kind of prejudice on this campus that she claims to be fighting.

The second letter, **No More Offense**, quite honestly amused me. I could picture the writer as an unkempt, arrogant, idiot sporting a halo above his head, crusading to save all Hamiltonians from the "atrocities" that exist here. There are definitely problems here at Hamilton, as there are in all communities, and I appreciate it when people make constructive efforts to solve them. (I cannot offer any solutions.) But, the effort Backes seems to be making is simply to draw attention to himself. He craves praise. His letter is in no way efficacious in adding to the harmony we strive for at Hamilton.

He makes the same mistake that Williams made in her letter. He starts by writing, "Go you Pucking Conts!" and then asks if we have "really seen what our men's hockey team put on the back of its shirts?" This negative attitude toward me and the others that it includes is intended to incite a general prejudice against us.

Although the issues Backes raises are important, I cannot take him seriously. (Satire usually has a serious purpose.) Throughout he asks: "Dig?" and near the beginning he writes: "This is not an intelligent letter" implying that his efforts aren't as sincere as we may interpret them to be. In the end, he advises that if anyone wants to respond, that this person not be a meathead because he will not give a damn.

I have not gone to great lengths in discussing the harsh generalities that affect me here at Hamilton. I feel that what I have written will suffice as evidence of the prejudice that is generated by those who claim to be taking a stand against it. As for you Backes, I have refrained from expletives and any sort of vulgarity, so I hope you will take me seriously and take your "self-righteousness" and direct it toward a genuine and a concerted effort to eliminate the problems at Hamilton.

Taso Mouhteros '91

Painted Violence

To the editor:

Isn't it so easy to hate? In this world people are hated for race, religion, class, sexual preferences, politics and much, much more. See, hating is very easy. You don't have to really know the human object of your hatred, all you have to do is hate the ideas that you believe the person stands for, or the way that you believe the person is. Stereotypes are great for hatred. He's white; he's a racist. He listens to the Dead; he's a druggy. She's in the Women's Center; she's a militant man-hater. We all know how untrue and ridiculous stereotypes are, yet they continue to be used and believed in. People continue to believe in some warped "Animal House"-like concept of fraternities. I belong to a fraternity which makes me a racist, sexist, elitist, separatist, homophobic, alcoholic, animalistic woman ravager and hopeless meathead.

It has been said on this campus that Fraternities spawn violence. Well last Wednesday night, after Chi Psi's weekly open party, a violence was done against us. Some malicious misled person sprayed in red paint on the front steps of our house "Stop Rape. A woman was raped here. Stop Rape." Obviously you don't need muscles to be a meathead. Not only was this allegation completely untrue, but it was tasteless and completely illegal. This depraved person did not care that he/she was trespassing on privately owned property and committing malicious, libelous vandalism to our home. This person chose to act violently and inappropriately on their own prejudiced, stereotypical assumptions about fraternities. Vandalism in any form should not be tolerated. Everybody was rightfully upset when the Women's Center was vandalized, the Center is their office and meeting place, but our house is our home; it is where we live. Viciously defacing another's home should not be accepted in this community. If there is something valid to be said, talk to us, not at us. No one listens to a delinquent with a spray can.

Whit Beverly '91

Caldicott Enlightens

To the editor:

On Monday night, April 3, Helen Caldicott will speak in the chapel, speaking in an emotional manner that is sure to stir controversy. She has been termed the "Mother of the Nuclear Freeze Movement", being one of the most inspirational and important lecturers of our time. Anyone who has read her book *Missile Envy: The Arms Race And Nuclear War* will surely attest to the imperative nature of her message. As president of the campus peace organization, the Hamilton Organization for Peace on Earth (HOPE), I have found a shocking dearth of knowledge on the nuclear arms issue among the Hamilton community. When I bring up the topics of disarmament or the Freeze or nuclear weapons in general, the typical answers I receive are that the U.S. is behind the Soviets or the peace through strength argument. None of these answers come from any serious consideration or knowledge of the issue, rather irrational xenophobic fears. For anyone who has closely examined the cold war and knows anything about the nuclear arms race, these answers are clearly nonsense. Last October General Jack Kidd spoke in the chapel and explained the insolubility of the peace through strength argument in largely technical terms. Helen Caldicott will lay to rest such arguments in an emotional manner. But the fact is she knows her facts better than anyone in the peace movement, being able to trade fact for fact successfully with the conservative think tanks. The reason she prefers to use emotion over the technical is she has a rare gift to remind even indifferent college students that "if you love this planet" you can not sit by impotently and watch our world consumed in a fatal arms race. If you love this planet, if you care about the world you live in and the people around you, if you love your mother and father, go see Dr. Helen Caldicott Monday night. If you love this planet.

Dan Kaplan '91

Societies

To the editor:

In an article entitled The Inherent Problems of Selective Societies (3/6/89) Eben Carlson calls for open discussion of the issue of societies, this I do not wish to do here, what I would like to express is my dismay at such a grotesque framing of the issue. Though I find much of the article abhorrent I will only refute that which I, as a society member, am entitled to do so. A tactic Eben Carlson should apply in his next article.

Carlson states, "Community work and social functions done by societies are done because of self-interested preservation and enjoyment." The ridiculousness of the social function statement deserves no further attention but claiming our community will work is done out of self-interest in preservation is first of all untrue and second of all an untenable criticism. To rid ourselves of Carlson's assumed self-interest would it be better if we participated in no such function? Carlson has cleverly framed an argument that we in no way can win, I hope this points out the fallacy of his criticism.

Hopefully down-playing the proceeding statements, Carlson says that these are merely secondary aspects; the real problem is that we define ourselves as superior to other societies and to the rest of the campus. I object to the arrogance of Carlson in attempting to state a definition for a issue that he has not first hand knowledge of. He may state his opinion but should not foolishly attempt to define something he obviously has no standing to comment on.

Carlson characterizes societal initiation as a "process of humiliation" that is to be endured. Carlson can in no way claim any authority to speak on such broad terms, and furthermore cannot validly comment on anyone's personal experiences in such a matter.

The most grievous statement is that "They take pride in you not belonging, it is their raison d'etre." I cannot adequately present my dismay that such a statement would be made in an article claiming to call for open discussion. Carlson may very well feel this to be true and valid, but it has to be noted that this is only an opinion. I will not have someone as ignorant as Carlson is on this subject attempt to speak for me or the society that I am a member of.

Carlson's gross and misinformed generalizations I feel are the cause of this hyper-inflated debate. Carlson has attempted to present all of the definitions before we started any conversations on the subject. All I attempt to do is point out his blatantly dogmatic framing of the issues.

Andrew Barrett '91

Editor's Note: *As the author could not be reached for comment, this letter was not edited in any way.*

Apology

To the editor:

On the occasion of the College's getting the approval of the State Department of Education for its current program, I was interviewed by one of your correspondents on how it was that the College shifted from "hours of credit" to "courses." The remarks I made were not opinions held only by myself; they were recollections of discussions held by the Committee on Academic Policy and later adopted by the full faculty.

Sincerely,
Sidney Wertimer, Jr.
Professor of Economics

Editor's Note: *We apologize to Professor Wertimer for not responding to last week's letter and sincerely thank him for his continuing help in providing The Spectator with information which we could not obtain from other sources.*

Editorial

A Modest Proposal...

As Spring approaches, students can anticipate the headaches of the infamous annual housing lottery. Although the Dean of Students office attempts to promote egalitarianism in the lottery process through random number assignments, inevitably students experience the emotional trauma of rejection, distress, isolation, and general unhappiness as they watch the rooms of their choice disappear. Essentially, the administration's efforts to institute fairness within the housing system is in shambles. Therefore an alternative proposal to the present system needs to be considered.

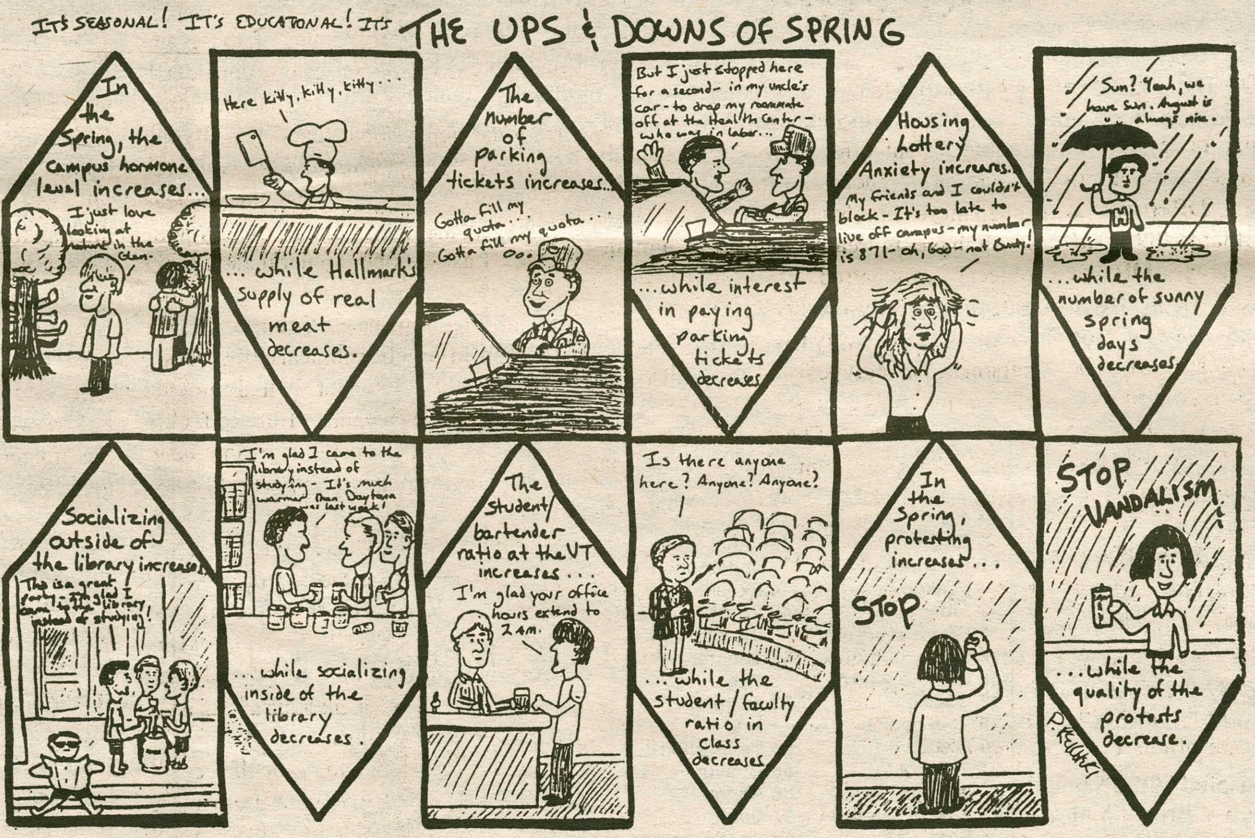
We at *The Spectator* propose a scientific plan to solve Hamilton's housing lottery madness by drawing upon the wisdom of Charles Darwin and the heralded concept of "survival of the fittest." Abolish the nightmarish chaos of numbers, meetings, and proxies. Instead, imagine a warm spring morning with the entire student body in sweats and Nikes, gathered in front of the chapel. Picture the beloved College Marshall Sid Wertimer firing the starting gun—and yes, watch Hamilton students race for a room.

Racing for housing has inherent advantages. For instance, the premise of natural selection means that the quickest students will claim the room prize of their choice. Therefore, the new system would promote health and physical fitness on campus. Weight training, long distance running, cycling etc. would indeed foster the athletic prowess needed to climb four flights of stairs and capture South Towers.

But fleet-footed individuals would not be the only ones smiling. Under a Darwinian system, cooperation would be crucial. "Blocking" takes on an entirely new meaning as burly football types could use their size and muscle to storm Carnegie and stake claims on the quads. Teamwork and an invigorated sense of physical fitness would emerge in preparation for and during the race.

A Darwinian housing experiment would also abolish one of Hamilton's most controversial problems—the issue of societies. If everyone simply races to his or her desired room, fraternities and sororities would fill up on a first come first serve basis. One could no longer complain of elitism based on money or parentage because students dash to the houses of their choice and thereby sidestep the process of bids and pledges etc. Egalitarianism has simply gone too far at Hamilton. In conjunction with the benevolent efforts of the Dean of Students Office, the annual housing lottery has become a vehicle for unnecessary equality and goodness. By assigning random numbers and fining lottery manipulators, the College has created an atmosphere in which every student has an equal chance to obtain good housing.

It may seem cold to allow those unfortunate Hamiltonians born without speed to sink to the bottom of the evolutionary scale and endure the hinterlands of Griffin Road and Bundy; however, one must remember that under a Darwinian system, seeming injustices are "only natural" of course! Need we say happy April 1st?



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Events

Saturday, April 1
Asian Festival Weekend

•Film: *Ghandi*. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. 11:00 a.m.
•Women's Softball. Hamilton at Elmira with Binghamton. 12:00 noon.
•Women's Lacrosse. Hamilton at William Smith. 1:00 p.m.
•Baseball. St. Lawrence at Hamilton. 1:00 p.m.
•Resident Advisors' Programming Series Film: *Mile Zero: The Sage Tour*. Sponsored by the Dean of Students. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building. 1:00 p.m.
•Men's Lacrosse. Hamilton at Skidmore. 2:00 p.m.
•Martial Arts Demonstration and Workshop. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society. Admission: $1.00 General Public. Alumni Gym. 2:00-3:45 p.m.
•Panel Lecture: "Satanic Verses." Professor Russell Blackwood, Professor Shahid Agha and others. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building. 4:00 p.m.
•Barbeque sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society. McEwen Coffee House, 6p.m.
•Intercollegiate Reading Series. Sponsored by the Department of English. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center. 7:30 p.m.
•Spring Concert: "The Hamiltones" and the Bucknell "Bison Chips." Chapel. 8:00 p.m.
•William Lee, a Chinese-American Comedian/Juggler sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society. McEwen Dining Hall, 8p.m.
•Film: *Sure Thing*. Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Science Auditorium. 8 and 10:00 p.m.
•Film: *Marathon Man*. Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. 8 and 10:00 p.m.
•Electric Armadillos Band. Sponsored by the Asian Cultural Society. McEwen Dining Hall. 10:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 2

•Intercollegiate Reading Series. Sponsored by the Department of English. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center. 10:30 a.m.
•The Church in the Chapel. Nya Taryor, Chaplain. Chapel. 10:30 a.m.
•Newman Mass. Father John Croghan. Chapel. 1:00 p.m.
•Film: *Tess* Sponsored by the English Department. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. 3:30 p.m.
•Film: *Sure Thing*. Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium Science Auditorium. 8 and 10:00 p.m.
•Film: *Marathon Man*. Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. 8 and 10:00 p.m.

Monday, April 3

•Lecture: "Current Issues in Japanese Feminism." Kazuko Tanaka. Sponsored by the History Department. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building. 4:15 p.m.
•Lecture: "An Ethics for the Future." B.F. Skinner. Wellin Hall, Schambach Center. 4:30 p.m.
•French/Government 371 Film: *1789*. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. 8:00 p.m.
•Lecture: "If You Love This Planet." Dr. Helen Caldicott, President, Physicians for Social Responsibility, and author of *Nuclear Madness*. Sponsored by Hamilton Organization for Peace on Earth (H.O.P.E.). Chapel. 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 4

•Newman Mass. Father John Croghan. Chapel. 12:00 noon.
•Faculty Meeting. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center. 4:10 p.m.
•Women's Softball. R.P.I. at Hamilton. 4:30 p.m.
•Film: *Desert Hearts*. Sponsored by the Women's Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. 7 and 10:00 p.m.
•Lecture: "The Politics of Perception: Class and Gender in the Filming of Harvey's Novel." J.B. Bullen, University of Reading, England. Sponsored by the English Department. Red Pit, Kirner-Johnson Building. 8:00 p.m.
•AAUP Journal Club Lecture Series: "Exploring the Natural Chemical World." Robin B. Kinnel, Silas D. Childs Professor of Chemistry. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center. 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 5

•Women's and Men's Track and Field. Union at Hamilton. 1 and 3:00 p.m.
•Men's Tennis. Union at Hamilton. 3:00 p.m.
•Women's Lacrosse. Cortland at Hamilton. 3:30 p.m.
•Men's Lacrosse. Hamilton at University of Rochester. 7:00 p.m.
•Lecture: "Redefining the Educated Person." Professor James Martin, University of Massachusetts. Sponsored by the Philosophy Department. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center. 8:00 p.m.
•Sigma Xi Lecture Series: "Facts and Fiction about Radiation Health Effects." Edward William Webster, Massachusetts General Hospital. Science Auditorium. 8:00 p.m.
•Wednesday Night is Live at the HUB. "The Bristols" New Music. Sponsored by the Program Board. Bristol Campus Center. 10:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 6
Women's Energy Weekend

•Newman Mass. Father John Croghan. Chapel. 12:00 noon.
•Baseball. Hamilton at Clarkson. 1:00 p.m.
•Slide Lecture: Susan Roth, Artist showing slides of her work. Sponsored by the Women's Center. Red Pit, Kirner Johnson Building. 3:30 p.m.
•Women's Softball. Hamilton at Colgate. 4:00 p.m.
•Lecture: "An American Jewish Professional's View of Israel." Meyer Bodoff, Executive Director, Jewish Community Council of Utica. Sponsored by Hillel and the Jewish Chaplaincy. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center.
•Concert. Kate Clinton. Chapel. 8:00 p.m. Sponsored by Women's Energy Weekend.
•Open Mike. McEwen Coffeehouse. 10:00 p.m. Sponsored by Women's Energy Weekend.

Friday, April 7

•Chemistry Seminar: "Structure and Dynamics of Proteins." Professor Franklyn Prendergast, Director of Research, Mayo Clinic and Foundation. Room 112, Chemistry Building. 3:00 p.m.
•Women's Lacrosse. Wells at Hamilton. 3:30 p.m.
•Spring Theatre Production: *Macbeth*. Minor Theatre. 8:00 p.m.
•Lecture: Bonnie Mann. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center. Sponsored by Women's Energy Weekend.
•Film: *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*. Sponsored by the Samuel Kirkland Film Society. Kirner-Johnson Auditorium. 8 and 10:00 p.m.
•Film: *Slaughterhouse 5*. Sponsored by the Foreign and Fine Film Society. Science Auditorium. 8 and 10:00 p.m.
•Concert: Karen Beth. Chapel. 10:00 p.m. Sponsored by Women's Energy Weekend.

Saturday, April 8

•Guiness World Record Swimming Relay. Donations/Pledges are gratefully accepted for the Campus Fund Drive at 859-4197. William M. Bristol, Jr. Swimming Pool. 8:00 a.m.
•Baseball and Men's Tennis. Hamilton at Hartwick. 1:00 p.m.
•Men's and Women's Track and Field. R.P.I./St. Lawrence at Hamilton. 1:00 p.m.
•Women's Softball. R.I.T. at Hamilton. 1:00 p.m.
•Performance: "Shouting from the Mountaintop." Sonia Williams '89. McEwen Coffeehouse. 2:00 p.m. Sponsored by Women's Energy Weekend.
•Women's Lacrosse. Hamilton at St. Lawrence. 2:00 p.m.
•Men's Lacrosse. Williams at Hamilton. 2:00 p.m.
•Lecture: Barbara Smith. Chapel. 8:00 p.m. Sponsored by Women's Energy Weekend.
•Music at Hamilton Artists Series: "Composers String Quartet" and "Dorian Wind Quintet." Wellin Hall, Schambach Center. 8:00 p.m.
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Sunday, April 9

•The Church in the Chapel. Nya Taryor, Chaplain. Chapel. 10:30.
•Baseball. R.P.I. at Hamilton. 1:00 p.m.
•Newman Mass. Father John Croghan. Chapel. 1:00 p.m.
•Performance: "Shouting from the Mountaintop." Sonia Williams '89. McEwen Coffeehouse. 1:00 p.m. Sponsored by Women's Energy Weekend.
•Concert: Hamilton College Festival of Chamber Music. Wellin Hall, Schambach Center. 3:00 p.m.
•Lecture: "Opportunities for the Global Entrepreneur." Stuart Hamilton, Founder and Partner of "In-Life Limited." Sponsored by the Young Business Club. Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center. 8:00 p.m.
•Spring Theatre Production: *Macbeth*. Minor Theatre. 8:00 p.m.
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The Weekly Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Turf
4 Fold
9 Free of
12 Goddess of healing
13 Fiber plant
14 Room in harem
15 Sudsy brew
16 Great bustard
17 Oscillate
18 Thin cookie
20 French article
21 Symbol for cesium
23 Title of respect
24 Sofa
28 Wine cup
30 Coloring skin indelibly
32 Masculine
34 Game at cards
35 Approach
36 Dominant
39 Map abbr.
40 Unwavering
41 Sched. abbr.
43 Latin conjunction
44 Execute
45 Propels oneself through water
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55 Quaver
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57 Damp
58 Shade tree
59 Fondle

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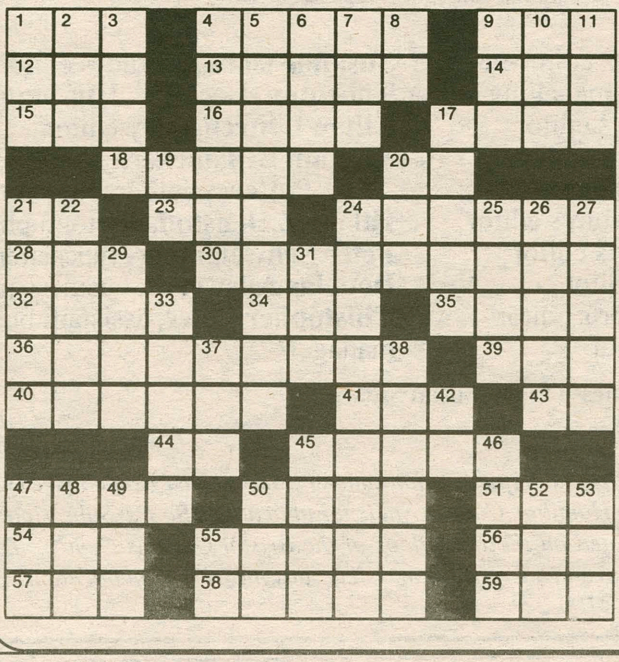
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3 Attracted
4 Gain
5 To the side
6 Arabian commander
7 Three-toed sloths
8 Symbol for tellurium
9 Quarrel
10 Mountain on Crete
11 Calendar feature
17 Surgical thread
19 Equally
20 Sign of zodiac
21 Tents
22 Sting
24 Engage in obstructive tactics
25 Row
26 Growing out of
27 Heron
29 Toward shelter
31 Pedal digit
33 Dodge
37 Bother
38 Three-base hit
42 Forenoon
45 Undergarment
46 Vessel
47 Ordinance
48 Be in debt
49 Obtain
50 Monk's title
52 Miner's find
53 Favorite
55 Symbol for thulium